


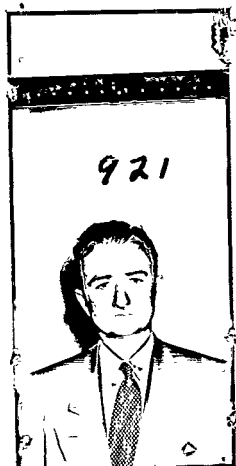
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NAME LEROY BENTLEY SKOUSEN

DATE				DATE		
8-4-41	ENTERED ON DUTY Permanent			FEB 23 1984	EXCELLENT	
8-4-41	POSITION Under Clerk (Trainee)					
10-1-41	Junior Clerk-Typist					
3-16-42	Assistant Clerk					
8-4-41	WHERE ASSIGNED Files					
				ENTRANCE GRADE		
				ENTRANCE SALARY		
				CAF-1		\$1260
				SALARY CHANGES		
DATE	STENOGRAPHIC	TESTS TYPING	TELETYPE	DATE	GRADE	SALARY
Entrance		Ability		10-1-41	CAF-2	\$1440
				3-16-42	CAF-3	\$1620


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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

DATE: 3-11-54

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: LEROY BENTLEY SKOUSEN  
 Special Agent  
 Portland Office  
 NOT ON PROBATION  
 Non-Veteran

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

## PERMANENT BRIEF

Entered on Duty	8-4-41 (Under Clerk)
Reported to Field	7-19-43 (Special Agent)
Present Grade and Salary	11-8-43
Last Salary Change	GS-12, \$7840
Age	8-16-53 (Uniform Promotion)
Marital Status	36
Education	Married (5 children)
Member of Bar	Associate in Arts Degree
Offices of Preference	Attended Law School
1953 Annual Performance Rating	Virginia State Bar
Marksmanship	Virginia Federal Bar
Outstanding Endorsers	Los Angeles
Previous Offices of Assignment:	SATISFACTORY
11-8-43 assigned	Qualified
3-6-44 transferred	None
11-26-45 transferred	Pittsburgh
7-14-47 transferred	Cleveland
headquarters also	San Diego
1-14-48 transferred	Los Angeles
11-10-48 designated RA	San Bernardino
11-30-48 transferred as RA	Portland
1-22-50 headquarters fixed	Baker, Oregon
	Vale, Oregon
	Portland

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He entered on duty in the Files Section as an Under-Clerk in grade CAF-1 \$1260 and advanced to the position of Assistant Clerk in Grade CAF-3 \$1620 and his services were entirely satisfactory.

At the conclusion of his training period Mr. Clegg said he appeared to be overly self-satisfied and his demeanor seemed to be governed by his desire to make an impression, it was believed, however, this was not a true characteristic of him, he asked many questions in class, was interested in the Bureau and desired to make good as an Agent, needed some roughening experience but should develop satisfactorily. On 11-8-43 he was assigned to the Pittsburgh Office.

RECORD IN GRADE CAF-9 \$3200. On 1-6-44 SAC Johnson rated him FAIR and said he made a good personal appearance, was possessed of a pleasing personality and had shown a good attitude, average industry, investigative ability, aggressiveness, self-confidence and force, his dictation was rated above average and he should continue to improve with additional experience and his volume of work was average. In an self-inspection of the Pittsburgh Office in January 1944 SAC Johnson said he was good in appearance and personality, was a fair investigator and a fair report writer, had a fair knowledge of Bureau procedure and equipment, had developed normally as a new Agent, had force and confidence and gave the impression of ability to make good contacts, should develop very well with experience and was rated as GOOD. On 3-4-44 SAC Johnson rated him GOOD and said he presented a very good personal appearance, his attitude was very good and he accepted criticism well, was considered a good dictator and was developing his ability in this regard, however, his preparation could be improved, had demonstrated good organization of material, was a good enunciator, had about average diction, his investigative reports have been somewhat better than average, accepted responsibility well and his work required somewhat less than average supervision. During the inspection of the Pittsburgh Office in February 1944 Inspector Crowl said he presented a good personal appearance, had a good personality, was intelligent, created a favorable impression, was loyal and definitely interested in the Bureau's work and would develop into an above average Agent. Status: GOOD.

On 3-6-44 he was transferred to Cleveland. In the annual efficiency report for 1944, SAC O'Connor rated him GOOD and said he had exhibited a considerable degree of force and aggressiveness, displayed initiative in handling his assignments, and a desire to improve his standing in the Service, had shown that he was capable of representing the Government as a witness at Commissioner's Hearings, appeared to be far above average in firearms ability, was both careful and alert and it was estimated that he would function satisfactorily in a dangerous assignment, he appeared to understand his objective in connection with his investigation, appeared to have the ability to "sell " himself, and from observations his contacts with law enforcement officials and business contacts have been good, and he had shown somewhat better than average development. On 5-9-44 SAC Fletcher rated him GOOD and said he possessed an affable, hearty personality, was intelligent, aggressive and forceful beyond the average, appeared sincere, conscientious and interested in his work, of which he performed an average volume, was considered a very good dictator, his reports and other paper work had been average for one of his experience and his performance had been good and it was believed he would shortly develop into a very good Agent. During In-Service training in August and September 1944 he was interviewed by Mr. Rogers who said he made a good appearance, had an above average type of personality and was intelligent, was extremely enthusiastic and conscientious, was desirous of becoming an excellent Agent, has made a good start and as he gains more maturity and experience he will continue to improve and he may have some latent supervisory ability.

On 9-19-44 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he had a pleasant, open personality, was thoroughly aggressive and forceful, had exhibited initiative and resourcefulness and interest in his work of which he had increased the volume to above average. He accepted criticism and suggestion in the proper spirit and was always ready for after-hour assignments, willingly assumed responsibility and discharged his duties with average supervision. As a dictator he was considered good but should be more careful in his preparation, his reports were well organized and logical and he had reduced the volume of errors to below average and he handled contacts capably and in conjunction with another Agent had developed a very good informant in Communist activities. On 10-20-44, he was considered for reallocation to Grade CAF 10 and it was recommended that he be passed over and reconsidered at a later date.

On 1-27-45, SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said his approach was good, he reflected initiative and forcefulness, was self-confident, very good in dictation and his work was well organized. It was felt he would make a proper witness; his firearms ability was above average and was regarded as available for dangerous assignments under proper supervision. He made contacts, was inclined generally to organize and initiate inquiries on his own responsibility with an average amount of supervision. His volume was above average, his reports were generally good, however, they contained an above average number of grammatical errors and errors to form but they were very good as to substance and reflected proper inquiry and complete, thorough investigations. He had developed a valuable informant and was handling him properly and his rating would be better when his report writing was improved. On 2-16-45 he was reallocated to Grade CAF 10, \$3500 per annum.

RECORD IN GRADE CAF 10, \$3500: On 3-31-45 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he conducted himself in a businesslike manner, had exhibited initiative and resourcefulness in the handling of his assignments and possessed a considerable amount of force and aggressiveness. He was enthusiastic and interested in advancing in the Bureau's service, was a very good dictator and his work was well organized. It was felt that he would be an effective witness, his firearms ability was above average for one of his experience, he was considered available for dangerous assignments under proper supervision and he had operated on several physical surveillances in a very good manner. He had a good approach, made a good impression on persons contacted, organized and initiated investigations on his own initiative and readily accepted responsibility. His volume of work was very good, his reports were generally good, however, they contained slightly more than <sup>an</sup> average number of errors but he was improving in this regard. He had developed a valuable informant and handled this informant in a very good manner.

During an inspection of the Cleveland Office in October, 1945, Inspector Connelley said he made a good impression upon first contact, was alert, sincere and conscientious and was enthusiastic in his work. He appeared to be of average intelligence and average in his mental reactions and he was believed to be better than average in his grade. SAC O'Connor said he presented a very good personal appearance, was tactful and diplomatic and impressed as being very conscientious and industrious in his application. Status: VERY GOOD.

By letter dated 10-17-45 he requested a transfer to the Los Angeles Field Division due to the health of his wife. On 10-26-45 the Director advised him it was not possible to effect a transfer for him to the Los Angeles Office but that instructions had been issued transferring him to the San Diego Office.

On 11-26-45 he reported to the San Diego Field Division. On his transfer report dated 12-3-45 SAC O'Connor rated him VERY GOOD and said he presented a very good personal appearance, was

tactful and diplomatic and impressed one as being very conscientious and industrious in his application. His work on a technical surveillance had been very satisfactory and had demonstrated that he was dependable.

On 2-24-46 he was afforded \$110 increase under the provisions of the Uniform Promotion Act to \$4080 per annum in Grade CAF 10.

On 1-28-46 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he made a very good appearance, had a pleasing personality and seemed vitally interested in the Bureau and in his work. He had been assigned a variety of cases in the general investigative categories and had shown aptitude to conduct thorough and logical inquiries in these matters and in at least one Theft of Government Property case he had shown definite resourcefulness and initiative as well as force and enthusiasm.

On 2-13-46 the Director saw him and said he made a good personal appearance, seemed to be intensely interested in his work, rated him above average as a Special Agent.

He attended In-Service Training in February, 1946, and was interviewed by Mr. Hince who said he was an agent of above average appearance and personality, he made an excellent impression as a Bureau representative, was very much interested in training as a Bureau police instructor, and it was felt he made a capable and above the average Bureau Agent.

On 3-31-46, SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he made a very good appearance, was enthusiastic, energetic, and aggressive, was average as to initiative and resourcefulness, his dictation was rated between very good and excellent, it was believed he might make an excellent witness, he was well qualified to go on raids and dangerous assignments, he operated effectively on physical surveillances, his contacts had been average, he needed to develop more individual responsibility in handling of confidential informants and sources of information, and he analyzed facts carefully. He initiated investigations promptly, accepted responsibility willingly, used good judgment, and it was believed he possessed supervisory ability and had been afforded limited opportunity to perform in such a manner.

During an inspection of the San Diego Division in June, 1946, Inspector Brantley said he presented a neat appearance, conversed in a businesslike manner, and indicated enthusiasm for Bureau work. Due to the basic increase in pay effective 7-1-46 his salary was increased to \$4651.20 per annum in Grade CAF-10.

On 12-11-46, his SAC was advised that he was an approved Bureau speaker.

On 1-8-47, SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he made a very good appearance, was enthusiastic and energetic, was average as to initiative and resourcefulness, he had outstanding firearms ability, was qualified to go on raids and special details, he had done effective physical surveillance work, his reports had been above average, his contacts had been average, he had displayed definite interest and ability to develop sources of information and potential Confidential National Defense Informants, he had a very good attitude toward his work, and it was believed he possessed supervisory ability and had been afforded limited opportunity to do so. On 2-3-47, he was reallocated to Grade CAF-11, \$4902 per annum.

On 3-31-47, SAC Murphy rated him GOOD and said the comments made in the report of 1-8-47 were still applicable to this Agent.

On 7-14-47, he was transferred to the Los Angeles Office with headquarters also at San Bernardino, California.

On his transfer efficiency report SAC Murphy rated him GOOD and said he made a very good appearance, he was mentally alert, was enthusiastic and energetic, was average as to initiative and resourcefulness, he was an excellent witness, had outstanding firearms ability, was qualified for raids and special details, had done effective physical surveillance work, his reports had been average, he had a very good attitude towards his work, he appeared to be in good health although he had taken sick leave on an above average number of occasions during the past year for minor infections of one type or another, and he was believed to possess supervisory ability and had been afforded limited opportunity to do so.

During a self-inspection of the Los Angeles Office in August, 1947, SAC Hood advised he was assigned to the Applicant Squad, his volume of work had been average, he was a thorough investigator, requiring less than average supervision, he had worked after the regular working hours to bring his cases to a logical conclusion, was mentally alert, enthusiastic and energetic, he had been average as to initiative and resourcefulness, his firearms scores were above average, he was qualified to go on raids and special details and he was a qualified Bureau speaker.

By letter dated 12-10-47 he was censured and suspended without pay from 12-11-47 to 12-24-47 and placed on probation for a period of six months for divulging to a Bureau applicant certain confidential information of a derogatory nature which had been secured during the investigation of this applicant. He was also transferred to the Portland Office on 1-14-48 due to his censure.

In a transfer efficiency report SAC Hood rated him FAIR and said he made a good appearance, had a pleasant personality and created a favorable impression, he handled Bureau, Departmental, Central Intelligence Group and Atomic Energy Act Applicant investigations, his volume of work was average, requiring less than average supervision, his work showed that he was a thorough investigator, he was interested in his work, conscientious and had devoted his own time after working hours to bring his cases to a logical conclusion. Since 8-21-47 he had spent most of his time in contacting educational institutions and other sources for prospective employees for the Bureau, in this contact work he had done very well in securing applicants and he exercised initiative and resourcefulness in handling this assignment. He was a qualified Bureau speaker, was rated as an excellent dictator, it was believed he would make a satisfactory witness, his firearms scores had been above average and he was qualified for raids and special details.

On 3-31-48 SAC Bobbitt rated him GOOD and said he was neat in his personal dress and appearance, had a good personality, had applied himself diligently and was industrious, he was intelligent and enthusiastic, he had been rated between good and very good by the stenographers in dictation, the suggestion being made for improvement in his dictation that he be more thorough in his preparation, particularly from a Bureau procedural standpoint. It was believed he would handle himself capably in the witness chair, his firearms ability was above average, he should be able to handle himself upon dangerous assignments, he had operated on a physical surveillance and handled himself entirely satisfactory, his reports required less than the average amount of correction, he submitted his reports in good form, he applied himself diligently to his work, spending a considerable amount of extra time in development of cases, and had accomplished a good volume of work, he had also been alert to development of information pertinent to the general investigative duties, particularly the

crime survey, in the territory in which he was working, he had developed one confidential informant who should be of considerable value to the office, his contacts with law enforcement officers had been very good and a number of commendatory remarks from the police chiefs in the territory in which he was working were made, he was a qualified Bureau speaker and had appeared before a limited number of groups in his territory, carrying out these assignments capably, he had developed a large number of sources of information since being in this territory, and his contacts with business people had been very good, he followed through upon his work with a minimum of supervision with regard to the actual investigations and to the organization of his day-by-day work, he accepted responsibility, was alert to situations which would aid in the development of the Bureau's work in the territory to which he was assigned and followed through on his responsibilities with a minimum of supervision, he had been assigned to work both in the headquarters city and in a road territory out of the resident agency of Eugene, he had handled general and security cases and handled these cases in a discreet manner, showing good judgment in his contacts and the development of information concerning these security cases. The performance of his work had been very good, however, in consideration of the all-over work during the year he had been rated as good.

On 5-20-48 SAC Bobbitt rated him VERY GOOD and said he had continued to perform his work in a very good manner, he was still rated between good and very good with regard to his dictating ability, the suggestion being made that he improve by preparing his dictation more thoroughly, it was believed he would make a capable Government witness, his firearms ability was above average, he was able to handle himself on any type of dangerous assignment, had operated on physical surveillance and performed satisfactorily, his reports had been submitted in good form, he was interested in the development of his work and had accomplished a good volume of work, he had also done a good job in the developing of informants for the office, he had developed a large number of sources of information, his contacts with law enforcement officers had been good, during the period of assignment here he had worked both in the headquarters city and road territory, he had been used upon all types of cases and was capable of handling all types of cases, he had also appeared before various groups and had carried out his assignments capably at this time, he had not been used in a supervisory capacity, although it was believed from the manner in which he followed his cases he could be so used, he maintained himself in good physical condition and his performance had been very good.

By memorandum dated 5-21-48 SAC Bobbitt advised his attitude had been very commendable, he had applied himself diligently to the Bureau's work, had not given any indication whatsoever of any indiscretion and fully realized the error that he committed for which he was reprimanded and in view of the work he had performed since arrival in this division, SAC Bobbitt recommended that he be removed from probation.

By letter dated 6-18-48, he was advised that he was being removed from a probationary status.

On 7-11-48 he received a basic salary increase to \$5232 per annum in Grade CAF-11.

On 8-6-48 he was considered for CAF-12 reallocation or a UPA promotion; however, in view of the administrative action taken against him in December, 1947, he was passed over for

both increases, to be reconsidered at a later date.

On 10-25-48 SAC Fletcher rated him EXCELLENT and said he was an enthusiastic and conscientious worker. He had closely followed the cases assigned to him and, wherever possible, those having deadlines had been met; his reports were well prepared and required a minimum of supervision; he had been rated very good in his dictating ability, with the suggestion being made that in some instances administrative details were left to the stenographers, also his dictation at times was somewhat jerky; he handled firearms in a satisfactory manner; and he had a pleasing personality and friendly manner.

On 11-10-48 he was designated Resident Agent at Baker, Oregon.

On 11-14-48 he was reallocated to Grade CAF-12, \$6235.20 per annum.

On 11-30-48 he was transferred to Vale, Oregon as Resident Agent.

By letter dated 5/16/49 he was censured for his dereliction in connection with the case of Rual W. Carlstrom, was, Federal Reserve Act. It appeared that Agent Skousen failed to witness the signed statement which the subject had executed admitting his violation of the Federal Reserve Act. In connection with this censure, he was also ordered back to headquarters city, in view of his shortcomings in the aforementioned case; however, the Bureau granted authority to hold the transfer in abeyance for a period of ninety days in order that the full benefits of his contacts with law enforcement officers and businessmen in that area might be realized by the Portland Division and the Bureau before his removal from that area. It appeared that Agent Skousen had laid the ground work which had resulted in the development of excellent relations in a territory which had previously been neglected.

On 5/27/49 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he established his residence at Vale while handling a very heavy case load, he was conscientious, enthusiastic, and had devoted a great deal of time in handling the work assigned to him in his territory with little regard to official working hours. He had developed excellent relations with law enforcement officials and local citizens, he had increased the number of cases in the area to the extent that it was necessary to provide a road trip Agent in order to bring the work to a current status, and a police school was recently completed at Ontario, in which excellent police relations were developed. Also, an application for the National Academy had been received from the Chief of Police at Nyssa, Oregon, as a result of contact with that department. An increase had been noted in prosecution of cases arising in the Vale residency since Skousen's assignment to Vale and his general contacts in the area were reflected by the numerous requests for his appearance before civic groups and organizations. During the recent self-inspection it had been noted that he had failed to witness the signed statement obtained from the subject in connection with one of his cases. On the basis of his over-all performance, it was felt he was entitled to the rating of very good.

On 8/26/49 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he had continued in his work of developing the territory and vicinity of Vale and Baker, Oregon. His police relations had been excellent, the present candidate for the National Academy had been developed through his efforts and another application had been received from the Sheriff's Office at Vale, and additional police training was being contemplated for fall in the Vale Residency as the result of Agent Skousen's police work. His reports had been well written, he had handled his own investigations in a logical manner, he was a conscientious employee, who gauged his work by the amount of work to be handled. He had shown a substantial volume of production, he

carried out responsibility with a minimum of supervision, and he maintained his work in a current status. His assignments had consisted of all types of cases arising in a resident agency, he had continued to develop and had conducted a well-rounded program of handling police and public relations in a most commendable manner. He had not indicated more than average administrative or supervisory ability.

In a separate communication dated 8-26-49 SAC Fletcher advised he had carried on his activities in his resident agency in a first class manner, he had developed a high interest in the FBI National Academy, and he had brought to the attention of the prosecuting attorneys, the general public, and the police agencies just what the Bureau's jurisdiction is and the interest of the Bureau in being informed of all matters under its jurisdiction. The latter had resulted in a steady case load being developed and prosecutive cases being prosecuted. It was recommended that he be retained as Resident Agent in Vale in view of his excellent results in public relations and the handling of his investigative assignments which resulted in successful prosecutions. However, the Director instructed that a special report be made on Agent Skousen the next time an inspector should be in Portland and at that time it could be determined whether to remove him from the resident agency or transfer him out of the district.

As a result of a basic salary increase effective 10-30-49 his salary was increased to \$6400 per annum in Grade GS-12.

During the Inspection of the Portland Office in November, 1949, SAC Fletcher said he was mature, had handled all types of investigations and was now Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon. His reports were well written, requiring less than average supervision. His relationships with police and the public was worthy of favorable comment. He was an experienced Agent and his work required very little supervision. He appeared to be physically fit and was available for special or general assignment. He was an Agent with an added "push and go" that had shown substantial results in his handling of a resident agency assignment. Status: Excellent. Inspector Naughten said he was an above average agent who apparently had earned an excellent rating, he had worked hard and produced results of value in his Resident Agency area. He had apparently profited from the criticism previously directed at him. Inspector Naughten felt that the Bureau's instructions of 5-16-49 transferring him from Vale to Portland was sufficiently strong as administrative action, and that a transfer from the Division was not warranted. Therefore, it was recommended that the previous transfer instructions stand.

On 1-22-50 he was transferred from Vale to Portland, Oregon.

On 3-31-50 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he was aggressive and self-assured, he was rated as an excellent dictator, appeared to be mentally and physically constituted so as to operate successfully on dangerous assignments. He had successfully participated in physical surveillances. He was well qualified to handle firearms. He had operated on fugitive apprehensions during the rating period. His reports generally were well done, requiring less than



average supervision. (In May, 1949, he was censured for his failure to witness a signed statement which he had taken from the subject in the case entitled "Rual W. Carlstrom, Federal Reserve Act".) His contacts had been exceptionally good. During the first nine months of this report, he functioned as Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon, during which time a very substantial increase was noted in requests for public appearances of personnel of the Portland Office. He further developed an interest in Schooling among the police officers of that area, and successful schools were held as a result of this activity. He organized and initiated his work in good order, showing a very substantial volume of production. His investigative work required less than average supervision for an agent of his grade and experience. He was able to meet all his deadlines and work according to the need of his assignments. He had handled all types of investigative endeavor in connection with his resident agency activities and in the last 3 months of this report he had handled general criminal and personnel types of investigations out of the headquarters city. He was a qualified Bureau speaker, and most favorable comments had been noted concerning his handling of this type of assignment. He accepted responsibility and discharge it with very little supervision. He appeared physically fit. He testified in court and made a capable witness. He was available for special and general assignment. He had not indicated above-average administrative or executive ability.

On 5-3-50 he was considered for a Uniform Promotion; however, in view of the administrative action taken against him in May, 1949, he was passed over to be reconsidered at a later date.

On 7-9-50 he received a MERITORIOUS INCREASE to \$6600 per annum in Grade GS-12, in view of his extraordinary performance of duty in the Bank Robbery case involving Wayne Leroy Long. It is noted Wayne Leroy Long, while being surveilled in First National Bank of Portland, Oregon on 6-15-50, emerged from this bank carrying sub-machine gun and from cries coming from within the bank it was apparent that he had just stated a hold-up. Long opened up with his sub-machine gun and commenced indiscriminate firing in order to effect his escape. It was noted that Agent Skousen acted in a highly commendable fashion in realizing the importance, under such crucial circumstances, of protecting the lives of innocent bystanders by withholding his fire until the opportunity presented itself of making sure that his firing did not endanger the lives of others but did bring the subject down.

On 7-19-50 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he appeared to have the necessary amount of resourcefulness and aggressiveness, he was rated as excellent in his dictation; he was qualified to operate on dangerous assignments, he had operated successfully on a physical surveillance and he was well qualified in the handling of Bureau firearms. His reports and other paper work were usually in good order, although it was necessary to return one Loyalty of Government Employees report to him for correction of a number of errors of a minor nature which were detected before the report was signed. He had good ability to contact law enforcement officials and others, he appeared to be able to organize and initiate his work and investigations in



a satisfactory manner with a minimum of supervision, and he was available for special and general assignment.

On 8-20-50 he received a Uniform Promotion to \$6800 per annum in Grade GS-12.

His daily average overtime for October, 1950 was 52 minutes, with no travel overtime; for November, 1950 was 1 hour 47 minutes, with no travel overtime; for December, 1950 was 1 hour 19 minutes, with 30 minutes travel overtime.

On 3-31-51 SAC Murphy rated him SATISFACTORY and said he was rated very good to excellent in dictation, the only comment being that he should dictate more evenly. He appeared to have good ability to handle any investigative matter, including the more complicated types of cases. During the period of this report he had handled general criminal investigative work, applicant cases, and some security matter cases. He had no physical condition which would prevent him from performing duties involving arduous physical exertion and participation in raids and dangerous assignments involving the use of firearms or defensive tactics. His volume of production was unusually high, and he was willing to accept responsibility and to discharge it with a minimum of supervision. He had excellent ability in the use of firearms and it was felt that he had shown a considerable amount of administrative ability in view of the dispatch with which he handled a large volume of cases. He was one of the better qualified Agents in his grade and was rated in the upper limits of satisfactory.

During an inspection of the Portland Office in May, 1951, Inspector Long said he was extremely interested in receiving speaking assignments and he appeared to be enthusiastic and interested in the Bureau's work.

On 7-8-51 he received a Basic Increase to \$7440 per annum in Grade GS-12. By letter dated 8-4-51 he was afforded the Ten-Year Service Award Key.

He attended In-Service Training from 8-6- through 8-18-51.

On 9-15-51 SAC Murphy rated him SATISFACTORY and said he had adequate qualities of initiative, resourcefulness, force, and aggressiveness. He appeared to have good ability to handle the more complicated types of investigative cases. It had been necessary to follow him some as some of his work was in a delinquent status.

During a recheck inspection of the Portland Office in September, 1951 Inspector Long said he received a case write-up in the Virgil Howard Archer - Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution case, inasmuch as he submitted an investigative report but failed to designate a copy for the U. S. Attorney at Portland which he should have done. No further action was taken.

On 1-27-52 he was involved in an accident while driving his personally owned car which resulted in the death of Mrs. Bertha Mand, who ran in front of his car. There had been no evidence of negligence on his part in connection with that matter.

Memorandum dated 2-6-52 reflected that he might be utilized as a Bureau speaker.

On 2-17-52 he received a Uniform Promotion to \$7640 per annum in Grade GS-12.

On 3-31-52 SAC Poster rated him SATISFACTORY and said he was rated excellent in his dictation ability by the stenographers with one exception where he was rated very good, the criticism being made that his dictation was somewhat jerky. He was a mature, experienced Agent, and he was qualified to handle the more complicated type of investigations coming within the Bureau's jurisdiction. His paper work required normal supervision. He accepted criticism in an excellent manner, had an excellent knowledge of the Bureau's manual and procedures, and accepted and discharge responsibility with a minimum of supervision. His SAC considered him qualified for use on raids and dangerous assignments. He was qualified as a Bureau speaker, had been used as such in several instances during the period covered by this report, and very favorable comments had been made concerning his ability in that line. He had had no opportunity to display other than average supervisory ability.

His daily average overtime for March, 1952 was 30 minutes, with no travel overtime. The reason for his low overtime during March was because of the pregnant condition of his wife and some difficulties had by her in connection therewith. His daily average overtime for August, 1952 was 1 hour 36 minutes, with no travel overtime.

On 3-31-53 SAC Burton rated him SATISFACTORY and said he was mature and possessed sufficient force and aggressiveness to adequately discharge his responsibilities as an agent. He appeared to be physically fit. He had been assigned to security work for the greater part of the reporting period, but had recently been assigned to general investigative, applicant-type, and fugitive matters. His work had been satisfactory and required no more than average supervision. His reports and memoranda were well-prepared and reflected he had the ability to properly initiate his investigations. His production was average, and he was qualified to handle all types of Bureau investigations. He readily accepted suggestions. He was qualified to handle Bureau firearms and to participate in raids and dangerous assignments. He had devoted an average amount of time to the development of potential criminal informants. He had been rated as very good in dictation. He had received a number of speech assignments, and many favorable comments were received concerning his work as a Bureau speaker. He was available for general and special assignment.

His daily average overtime for April, 1953 was 1 hour 41 minutes, with no travel overtime.

By memorandum dated 7-16-53 he was considered for GS-13 reallocation but was passed over to be reconsidered at a later date in view of the administrative action taken against him on 12-10-47 and 5-16-49.

He attended In-Service Training from 7-27-53 to 8-7-53.

*On 8-16-53 he received a uniform promotion to \$7840 per annum in Grade GS-12.*

*By memorandum dated 11-30-53 he was again considered for GS-13 reallocation but was passed over to be reconsidered at a later date in view of the fact he did not meet the qualification of having 3 out of 4 excellent or above average annual ratings for the last four years.*

*By teletype dated 2-26-54 the Bureau approved his use as a lecturer on State Law in the capacity of a police instructor.*

NAME SKOUSEN, L. B.

## MONTHLY VOLUNTARY OVERTIME RECORD

MONTHS	YEAR 1950		YEAR 1951		YEAR 1952		YEAR 1953	
	REGULAR	TRAVEL	REGULAR	TRAVEL	REGULAR	TRAVEL	REGULAR	TRAVEL
JANUARY								
FEBRUARY								
MARCH					30"	0		
APRIL							1'41"	
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AUGUST					1'36"	—"		
SEPTEMBER								
OCTOBER	52"							
NOVEMBER	1'47"							
DECEMBER	1'19"	30"						

MONTHS	YEAR		YEAR		YEAR		YEAR	
	REGULAR	TRAVEL	REGULAR	TRAVEL	REGULAR	TRAVEL	REGULAR	TRAVEL
JANUARY								
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# FBI PERSONNEL STATUS FORM

January 18, 1954

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*Portland*

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with instructions contained in Section 4B of the Bureau Manual of Rules and Regulations, please be advised that my status with respect to the items listed below is as follows:

- (A) Date of birth: September 27, 1917.
- (B) Marital status: (name of spouse) Helen L. Skousen, nee McCarty
- (C) Spouse's place of employment: Housewife, 1520 SE 54th St. Portland, Oreg.

(D) Number and birth date of children: 5 Children. [REDACTED]

(E) Names of parents,  
brothers and sisters: Mrs. Rita Skousen, Mother. Father deceased.  
W. Cleon Skousen, Ervin M. Skousen, Rita Miller, Max Skousen, Mildred  
Jones, Kieth Skousen, Kenneth Skousen.

(F) Maiden name of wife, together  
with names of wife's parents,  
brothers and sisters: Helen L. McCarty (Wife). Parents: James E.  
McCarty, Father, Mattie McCarty, Mother; [REDACTED] Sister;  
Lawrence McCarty, brother, Russel McCarty, Brother.

(G) Names of husband's parents,  
brothers and sisters:

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(H) Names of societies or  
organizations with which  
connected: None

(I) Legal residence:

(J) Education:

(Names of schools attended  
and degrees received)

San Bernardino High School-degree;  
San Bernardino Junior College; Associate of Arts Degree; 2 years at  
Washington College of Law in Washington D. C. and 2 years at  
Northwestern College of Law at Portland Oregon with an LLB degree.

(K) Name, address and relation-  
ship of person to be notified

in case of emergency: Helen Skousen, 1520 SE 54th St. Portland  
Oregon.

(L) List of names of any relatives  
now in the Government service,  
with degree of relationship,  
and where employed. (List all  
relatives, including those by  
marriage.):

Ervin Skousen, CAA Inspector, Kansas City, Mo.  
Brother.

(M) Offices where assignment preferred: Los Angeles.  
(Limited to three)

Very truly yours,

*Leroy B. Skousen*

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FBI PERSONAL STATUS FORM

December 31, 1950

(PLEASE PRINT)

1. Payroll name and residence address Leroy B. Skousen  
1640 SE 88<sup>th</sup> St.  
Portland Oregon.
2. Legal Residence: City San Bernardino State Calif.
3. Field Office Portland If assigned to SOG, show instead: Division No. \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_
4. Service & Grade (GS 3, CPC 2, etc.) GS 125 Annual Salary 6800
6. Date of birth 9-27-17 7. Sex M 8. Latest EOD date 8-4-41
9. Prior Service with FBI, if any: (Show all EOD & Cease Duty dates):  
EOD \_\_\_\_\_ Ceased Duty \_\_\_\_\_; EOD \_\_\_\_\_ Ceased Duty \_\_\_\_\_
10. Marital Status: (Check one)  
1. Single                      ☒ 2. Married                      3. Divorced  
4. Widowed                      5. Separated
11. Veteran Status: (Check one. Include service serial number):  
☒ 1. Non-Veteran                      2. Veteran - World War I  
3. 10-Point Veteran - World War I                      4. Veteran - World War II  
5. 10-Point Veteran - World War II                      6. Veteran - Other  
7. Wife of Disabled Veteran or                      8. Merchant Marine  
Widow of Veteran
12. Reserve Status: (Show whether inactive or active, branch of service, and rank); or National Guard status (show unit and rank):
13. No. of children & birth dates: 4 children. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
14. Office of preference: Los Angeles Salt Lake City Richmond, Va.

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Signature

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AGENT VOCATION RECORD

PLEASE PRINT

DATE 8-11-52

NAME Skousen Leroy Bentley  
Last First Middle

TITLE OF POSITION Special Agent

ENTERED ON DUTY 8-4-41  
Month Day Year

EDUCATION:

College or University (Including Graduate & Professional Schools)

Location (City & State)	Degree	Major	Minor
<u>San Bernardino - sr. College</u>	<u>San Bernardino, Calif.</u>	<u>Ass of Arts</u>	<u>Political Science</u>
<u>Washington College of Law</u>	<u>Washington D.C.</u>	<u>2 yrs only</u>	<u>Law</u>

Specialized Schools: \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of School City & State

Type of Specialized Training Received \_\_\_\_\_

Period attended \_\_\_\_\_

BARS:

Federal Virginia Year 1943 CPA \_\_\_\_\_  
State Year

State Virginia Year 1943

FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY:

PROFICIENCY

Language _____	Read: _____	Excellent _____	Good _____	Fair _____
	Write: _____	Excellent _____	Good _____	Fair _____
	Speak (Converse): _____	Excellent _____	Good _____	Fair _____
	Understand: _____	Excellent _____	Good _____	Fair _____
	Translate: _____	Without dictionary _____	With _____	

Source of proficiency: Native Tongue \_\_\_\_\_ Academic \_\_\_\_\_ Years Studied \_\_\_\_\_ Assign. \_\_\_\_\_  
On the job classes \_\_\_\_\_ Have you passed Bureau test? \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Language _____	Read: _____	Excellent _____	Good _____	Fair _____
	Write: _____	Excellent _____	Good _____	Fair _____
	Speak (Converse): _____	Excellent _____	Good _____	Fair _____
	Understand: _____	Excellent _____	Good _____	Fair _____
	Translate: _____	Without dictionary _____	With _____	

Source of proficiency: Native Tongue \_\_\_\_\_ Academic \_\_\_\_\_ Years Studied \_\_\_\_\_ Assign. \_\_\_\_\_  
On the job classes \_\_\_\_\_ Have you passed Bureau test? \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

List any DIALECTS you are familiar with and your proficiency \_\_\_\_\_

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PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT: (Give detailed information regarding previous employment; it is not necessary to list name of employer, but state type of duties performed and what capacity.)

<u>TYPE OF WORK AND IN WHAT CAPACITY</u>	<u>PROFICIENCY</u>	<u>YEARS OF EXPERIENCE</u>
<u>Missionary LDS Church.</u>		<u>2 yrs -</u>
<u>Tractor operator</u>	<u>No practice 10 yrs.</u>	<u>3 yrs.</u>

VOCATIONS AND AVOCATIONS: (Give detailed information regarding any special knowledge, abilities, talents, hobbies, trades, etc., you possess, including athletics.)

	<u>PROFICIENCY</u>	<u>YEARS OF EXPERIENCE</u>
<u>Pilot - light planes.</u>	<u>Fair -</u>	<u>10 yrs.</u>
<u>Baseball Semi pro-league.</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>5 yrs.</u>

ORGANIZATIONS: (List all organizations to which you belong, including all of those which you have been a member of during your lifetime. For example, the Bureau is desirous that you list membership in the Boy Scouts (giving the exact rank attained), DeMolay, high school honor societies, and other civic groups of which you may have been a member. Fraternities, of course, are to be included):

<u>Boy Scouts</u>	<u>San Bernardino</u>	<u>Calif.</u>
	City	State
<u>Delta theta Phi</u>	<u>Washington</u>	<u>D.C.</u>
	City	State
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	City	State
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FOREIGN TRAVEL: (List all foreign countries you have traveled in.)

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>IN WHAT CAPACITY</u>	<u>NO. OF YEARS AND MONTHS</u>
<u>Canada</u>	<u>Tourist &amp; Resident</u>	<u>5 yrs.</u>
<u>Mexico.</u>	<u>Tourist.</u>	<u>6 months.</u>
<u>British Isles.</u>	<u>Missionary</u>	<u>2 yrs.</u>
<u>France, Germany.</u>	<u>Tourist.</u>	<u>One month.</u>
<u>Belgium, Holland</u>		

MILITARY TRAINING: (List any experience in any branch of the armed forces, or special training you have had. If you have had service in any military capacity, state branch, rank and number of years.)

SPECIALIZED BUREAU TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: (Check any of the following training you have had.)

	<u>DATES</u>		<u>DATES</u>
____ Asiatic School	_____	____ Secret Inks	_____
____ European School	_____	____ Sound	_____
____ Foreign			
____ Assign. School	_____	____ Microphotography	_____
____ Police Liaison School	_____	____ Tamper Proofing	_____
____ Police Instructor's School	_____	____ Mouflage	_____
____ Major Case School	_____	____ Typewriting Alignment	_____
____ Chief Clerk's School	_____	____ Supervisor's School	_____
____ Administrative Firearms	_____	____ ASAC School	_____
____ Firearms Expert School	_____	____ SAC School	_____
____ Field Supervisor's School	_____	____ Inspector's Aide School	_____
____ Communism	_____	____ Red Cross - First Aid	_____
____ General Investigative	_____		
____ Security	_____		
____ Selective Service	_____		

ARE YOU A QUALIFIED BUREAU SPEAKER? Yes.

ARE YOU AVAILABLE FOR FOREIGN ASSIGNMENT? No. LOCATION DESIRED \_\_\_\_\_

TYPING ABILITY 45 W.P.M. Have you passed Bureau test? \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

SHORTHAND ABILITY \_\_\_\_\_ W.P.M. Have you passed Bureau test? \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

RADIO - SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS: (State degree of proficiency and length of time spent in the following.)

1. Education or Teaching Experience in:

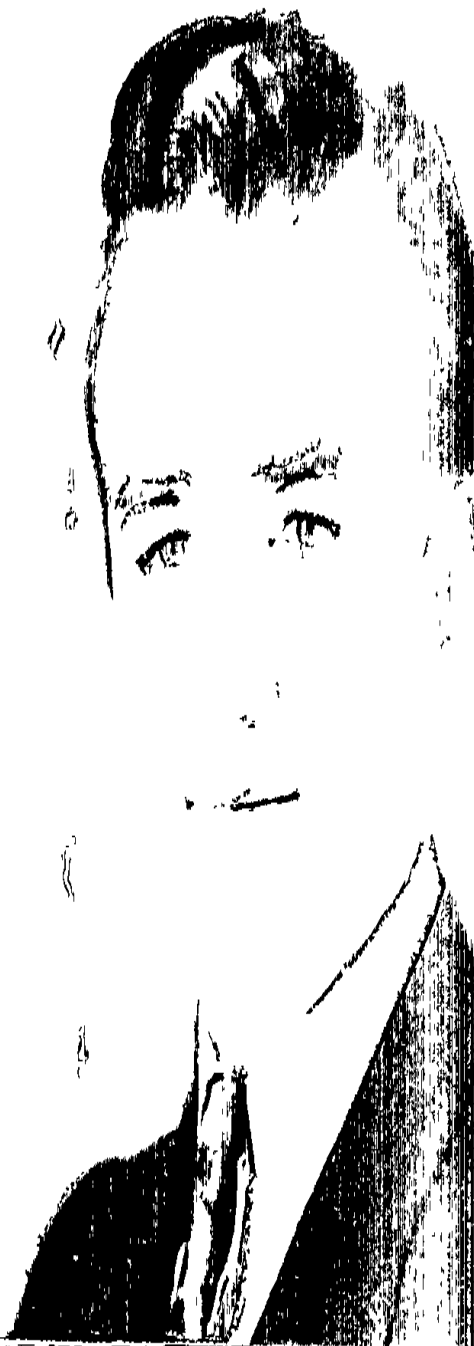
a. Communications or Radio Engineering \_\_\_\_\_

b. Electrical Engineering \_\_\_\_\_

- c. College Physics\_\_\_\_\_
- d. Vocational or other Radio School\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Practical Experience in Radio:
  - a. Employment as Radio, Electrical or Communications Engineer or Technician\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Amateur Radio\_\_\_\_\_ Licenses Held\_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Commercial Radio Operator\_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Radio or Sound Repairman or Technician\_\_\_\_\_
  - e. Experimenter or other\_\_\_\_\_
  - f. International Morse code: - Transmit\_\_\_\_\_ W.P.M. - Receive\_\_\_\_\_ W.P.M.
  - g. Technical Knowledge of any Electronic Devices\_\_\_\_\_

MISCELLANEOUS: (List any other information, qualifications and accomplishments.)

COMMENTS OF SAC RELATIVE TO ANY OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS: (Applicable only to Agents in the Field.)



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT

DIRECTOR,  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

1409 Waterman Ave.  
San Bernardino, Calif.

May 7, 1941

Sir:

I hereby make application for appointment to the position indicated by check mark, in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, and for your use in this connection submit the following information:

Special Agent (Law Trained)	.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	**
Special Agent (Accountant)	.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	**
Special Employee	.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	**
Stenographer	.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Typist	.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Translator	.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Messenger	.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	**
Laboratory Technician*	.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	**
Student Fingerprint Classifier	.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(This application should be typewritten if possible)

(Indicate by check)

1. Name in full (please print) Skousen Leroy Bentley  
(Family name) (Given name) (Middle name)
- (a) Female applicants must furnish maiden name .....
2. Legal residence 1409 Waterman Ave. San Bernardino, California.
3. Mail and telegraphic address 1409 Waterman Ave. S.B. Phone No. 52201
4. Complete date of birth Sept. 27, 1917 Height 5' 10" Color White  
(Without Shoes)
5. Place of birth Raymond, Alberta, Canada.
6. (a) Father's name Royal Pratt Skousen (b) Father's birthplace Springerville, Ariz.  
(c) Present address 1409 Waterman Ave.
7. (a) Mother's maiden name Rita Bentley (b) Mother's birthplace St. George, Utah.  
(c) Present address 1409 Waterman Ave.
8. If you were not born in United States, how long have you lived here? 19 years.
9. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes.
10. If naturalized, date and place of naturalization (Born on a visit to Canada.)
11. Are you single, married, widowed, separated, or divorced? 34 Single 2041  
(Specify)
12. If your husband (or wife) is employed, state where employed .....
13. Number of children, if any None.
14. Are you entirely dependent on your salary? Yes.
15. To what extent are you financially indebted to others and to whom? No debts.

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\*Specify exact title of position sought as Laboratory Technician.

\*\*Positions of Special Agent (Law Trained), Special Agent (Accountant), Laboratory Technician, Special Employee, and Messenger for male applicants only.

See details on separate description sheets which will be furnished on request.

## 16. Education: (Please print.)

	NAME AND LOCATION OF SCHOOL	FROM—	TO—	COURSES PURSUED, DIPLOMAS OR DEGREES RECEIVED
(a) Elementary	Lincoln Elementary, Sturges			
	Junior High School, San Bernardino.	1923	1933	
	Name			
(b) High school equivalent	Address San Bernardino			High School
	High School, San Bernardino	1933	1936	Diploma
	Name			
(c) College or technical *	Address San Bernardino			(Diploma to be
	Junior College, San Bernardino.	1939	1941	received in June
(d) Foreign Languages				
Give degree of proficiency as	One and one-half years			
to speaking, reading, writing				
	of College Spanish. No practical	1939	1941	
	experience.			
(e) Miscellaneous *	2S Private Pilots rating			
	(In CPT Secondary now. I'll finish in June.)			

17. Give names of clubs, societies, and other similar organizations of which you are a member:

National Aeronautical Ass., College Y, Eagle Scout, British  
Mission Ass. (Returned Missionary of LDS Church), and Phi Rho Pi.

18. Have you been admitted to the Bar, if so specify No

19. Describe any physical defects, including extent of defective vision, if any  
Sight---20/20. (Passed regular Air Corps Exam. for flight physical)  
Scar in back from a pneumonia operation---no ill effects.

20. Health record for the past 3 years (give number of days and nature of serious illness):  
No illness.

\* Applicants for Laboratory Technician positions should list in detail scientific courses pursued, using an insert if necessary and give title of any Master's or Doctor's Thesis prepared.



25. List the names of any relatives now in the Government service, with the degree of relationship, and where employed: .

~~Willard Cleon Skousen. Brother. Special Agent, Washington D.C.~~

26. What is the lowest entrance salary you will accept? \$1200

27. Are you in a position to accept probationary employment at any time, without previous notice, and, if notice is required, how much? I graduate June 20, 1941. Free to go then.

28. In the event of appointment will you be willing to proceed to Washington, D.C., upon 10 days' notice and at your own expense? Yes

29. If appointed are you willing and prepared to accept assignment or transfer to any part of the United States where services are required, for either temporary or permanent duration? Yes.

30. Attach unmounted full face photograph not larger than 3 by 4½ inches. Write your name plainly on back of photograph. Photograph to be taken not more than 30 days prior to date of application. (Application will not be considered complete if such photograph not furnished.)

Respectfully,

*Seroy Bentley Shousen*  
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(Signature of applicant as usually written)

(Signature of applicant as usually written)

NOTE.—If the applicant desires to make any further remarks or statements concerning his qualifications or in answer to any question contained in the application, the same should be made on a separate sheet of paper, numbering the remarks in accordance with the original questions.

NOTE.—The following jurat must be subscribed to by all applicants for positions in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

Subscribed and duly sworn to before me by the above-named applicant, this 10 day  
of May, 1941, at city (or town) of San Bernardino, county  
of San Bernardino, and State (or Territory or District) of California.

Harry E. Rickman

(Signature of officer)

NOTARY PUBLIC

to and for the County of San Bernardino, State of California

(Official title)

[OFFICIAL IMPRESSION SEAL]

My Commission Expires February 4th, 1993

Application will not be considered complete if above jurat not executed.

## 21. Experience: (Please print.)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER	POSITION AND KIND OF WORK	FROM—	TO—	ANNUAL SALARY
Name Skousen Bros. Address Albuquerque, N. Mex..	Tractor Operator	1938 Summer of 1940	1939	\$40/ week
Name L.D.S. Church Address London, England.	Missionary	1936 Oct	1938 Nov.	None
Name Address				
Name Address				
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Name Address				
Name Address				

22. Specify any arrests (include traffic arrests) Loading Zone arrest in  
1934, (San Bernardino); Speeding Arrest, Monrovia, April, 1941.

22 A. Specify any arrests of immediate family None

23. Have you ever been a defendant in any court action? No

Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

24. Give five personal references (not relatives, former employers, fellow employees, or school teachers), more than 30 years of age, who are householders or property owners, business or professional men or women (including your family physician, if you have one) of good standing in the community, and who have known you well during the past 5 or more years. (Please print.)

NAME	RESIDENCE ADDRESS	NUMBER OF YEARS ACQUAINTED	BUSINESS ADDRESS.
1. Nicholas Ricciardi	786 Mission pr. S.B. S.B.	6	San Bernardino Junior College.
2. Webb K. Brown	1581 Mt. Vernon Ave.	12	
3. Russel J. Standing	257 25th Street S.B.	10	
4. Eben Blomquist	470 7th Street S.B. S.B.	12	Blind and Window Shade Factory—470 7th St.
5. Mr. Kelly	1905 Waterman Ave.	6	

24 A. Give residence addresses for past five years.

1409 Waterman Ave. San Bernardino, Calif.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: September 16, 1949

FROM : W. R. GLAVIN

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT  
PORTLAND DIVISION  
RESIDENT AGENT - VALE, OREGON

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Gurnea	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Pennington	_____
Mr. Quinn Tamm	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Reference is made to Mr. Edwards' memorandum to me under date of September 12, 1949, concerning the above-mentioned Special Agent, particular reference being made to the Director's comments in connection therewith.

In connection with the personnel actions taken in this case, it is noted, as the Director has pointed out, that Skousen was suspended and censured in December, 1947, and he was reallocated from Grade CAF-11 to Grade CAF-12 on November 14, 1948.

Having approved the reallocation, I personally am at fault in this particular action. Skousen was eligible for a promotion under the Uniform Promotion Act schedule in August of 1948, however, because of the administrative action taken against him, he was not afforded either a Grade reallocation or a uniform promotion at that time, and the promotion was held in abeyance for a period of ninety days to be reconsidered in October of 1948. He was considered again on November 3, 1948, and in view of the better than average efficiency reports which had been submitted covering his performance of duty, I approved his reallocation from Grade CAF-11 to CAF-12. His promotion had been held up three months.

In connection with the designation of this Agent as a Resident Agent, this action was also approved by me after a communication had been received from the Agent in Charge at Portland advising that Skousen could obtain proper housing in Vale, Oregon, which was centrally located for the work he had in that particular area. He had been working that particular territory on a road trip prior to that time. At the time he failed to witness a signed statement in a case investigated by him and at the time of his failure to include in the case file the interview log, you recommended that he not be used as a Resident Agent and instructions went forth transferring him back to Portland.

On the basis of a communication received from the Agent in Charge at Portland on May 24, 1949, wherein SAC Fletcher stated that this Agent had worked up the territory to such a degree that on occasions he needed the assistance

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*Memo to Mr. Tolson*

*of a road-work Agent to keep his work current; that he had developed excellent police relations; that he had developed prosecutive cases and had made numerous appearances before civic groups and organizations; and in which communication Fletcher recommended that Skousen's transfer be held in abeyance for a period of ninety days in order that the full benefits of his contacts with law enforcement officers and business men in that area be fully realized, I approved his remaining in Vale for an additional ninety days.*

*The only reason I approved the extension of this Agent's stay at Vale, Oregon, as Resident Agent was the fact that he seemed to be doing an outstanding job. It should have been evident that he should have been returned to Portland immediately. In the future, I will bear this case in mind in recommending action in other cases.*

*WRG:TGH*

*J. H.*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: SA Leroy B. Skousen  
Portland Division

DATE: September 12, 1949

Tolson ☒

Ladd ☒

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Glavin ☒

Nichols ☒

Rosen ☒

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Harbo ☒

Mohr ☒

Nease ☒

Gandy ☒

On 5-16-49 Agent Skousen was censured after it was disclosed during the monthly inspection examination that he had neglected to witness a signed statement obtained from the subject of a Federal Reserve Act case. At the same time, he was ordered removed as a Resident agent and a letter transferring him from Vale, Oregon to Portland was sent. However, at the request of SAC Fletcher, the Bureau agreed to a 90-day delay in his departure from the Resident Agency. In support of his request the SAC pointed out that Agent Skousen had been designated Resident Agent in Vale, Oregon in November, 1948 in order to develop that part of the Field Division which had previously not been particularly productive. According to the SAC, Agent Skousen had worked up the territory to such a degree that on occasion he needed the assistance of a Road Agent, a police school had just been completed without any absences on the part of seventeen men who attended sessions for five days, prosecutive cases had been developed and Agent Skousen had made speeches before civic groups and organizations which resulted in requests for return engagements. At that time, the SAC felt that the immediate removal of Agent Skousen would hamper the progress for which the Agent had laid ground work.

On 5-27-49 Agent Skousen was rated Very Good in a six months efficiency report in which the SAC repeated the comments regarding his work at Vale. In July, 1949, while SAC Fletcher was attending In-Service Training he made inquiry of Mr. Glavin concerning the possibility of cancelling Agent Skousen's transfer from Vale, pointing out that the Agent was doing an outstanding job and is one of the best agents in the Portland Division. Mr. Glavin instructed Mr. Fletcher to advise the Bureau of his recommendation at the end of the 90-day period at which time the Bureau would pass on the matter.

SAC Fletcher has now renewed his request that Agent Skousen be permitted to remain at Vale, Oregon setting out that the Agent has shown excellent results from a public relations standpoint as well as in the handling of investigative assignments which have resulted in successful prosecution and it would be difficult to replace him. Mr. Fletcher pointed out that Skousen has developed a high interest in the F. B. I. National Academy, has made numerous speeches, and has brought the extent of the Bureau's jurisdiction to the attention of prosecuting attorneys, police agencies and the general public with the result that a steady case load has been developed. SAC Fletcher attached a special efficiency report on Agent Skousen dated 8-26-49 in which he was again rated as Very Good.

A permanent brief of Agent Skousen's personnel file is attached. It reflects that in addition to the administrative action taken against him in May, 1949 he was previously censured, suspended without pay for fifteen days, placed on probation and transferred from Los Angeles to Portland, in December, 1947, for having dis-

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closed to a Special Agent applicant, whose application Agent Skousen had sponsored, the fact that the applicant had not been given favorable consideration because of information that the applicant had once written a postcard to an individual whose loyalty was under question. Agent Skousen was removed from probation on 6-18-48.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION: In view of the repeated statements by SAC Fletcher regarding the excellent work being done by Agent Skousen in his Resident Agency at Vale, Oregon, it is recommended that the SAC's request be granted and that Agent Skousen be permitted to remain in the Resident Agency.

CC: Portland Office Personnel File

JIC/dfs

I agree  
9/12

I agree  
9/11/49

I do not agree. I think  
he should proceed  
to Portland without  
further delay

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relieve him of his residence  
or transfer him from the district

Memo will be  
sent when  
report is sent  
in by Supp. Sec.

9/11/49

Noted in  
Inspection Section  
12.9.1949  
9/19/49

Of course he should never have  
been a resident in the first place  
& when he was ordered relieved  
in May 1949, there should have  
been no extension of 90 days.  
Now our position is weak. I  
think when an Inspector is  
met in Portland we should  
get a special report on him & then  
decide what to do - that is whether

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 16, 1949

FROM : SAC, Portland

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

SA SKOUSEN has today read and initialed his special efficiency report dated August 26, 1949.

JAB:kam

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : T. E. NAUGHTON, Inspector

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN, Special Agent  
Portland Division

DATE: 11/30/49

REFERENCE: Seat of Government memorandum 9/12/49 (H. L. EDWARDS to Mr. GLAVIN) regarding above agent, whereon Director instructed special report be submitted.

REVIEW OF FIELD PERSONNEL FILE: SKOUSEN was ordered transferred from his Resident Agency at Vale, Oregon, to Headquarters city at Portland under date of 5/16/49 as a disciplinary matter incidental to a censure received by him as a result of his failure to witness a signed statement obtained from the subject of a Federal Reserve Act case. A six-month's efficiency report submitted by the SAC at Portland 5/27/49 rated Agent as Very Good, as did the special efficiency report submitted 8/26/49. In both instances the SAC pointed out that SKOUSEN, who had been Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon, since November 1948, had done a particularly good job in developing a territory that theretofore had not been productive.

The personnel file at Portland fails to reflect any subsequent matters of criticism or censure as to any derelictions of an administrative or investigative nature.

REVIEW OF ASSIGNMENTS: On November 10, 1949, this Agent had assigned to him twenty cases, of which five were delinquent, or 25 percent. At the time of his interview by me on November 21, 1949, his case load was 25 cases and 19 leads. Between the two dates set forth he had had an opportunity to come into the office to dictate on his cases and thus had removed the delinquency of five and, therefore, his cases were all investigatively current, as well as becoming postingly current. A review of his cases revealed, first, that there were no case write-ups and, therefore, it appeared that he was handling his investigative work in a completely satisfactory fashion; secondly, of the 25 cases assigned to him as of his interview period, nine were cases which he had actually developed and which were of substantive nature and possess productive statistical value to the Bureau, whereas the remaining 16 were origin elsewhere. This is an index to the productivity of this agent's work within the territory.

A check of the work which had already been handled and closed by him during October and November revealed that these cases had been handled well and that there were no substantive delinquencies.

OTHER FACTORS: He obtained 98.75 in the Inspector's examination. He is rated as Very Good in dictation. From January 1, 1949, through November 17, 1949, he has made fifteen speeches, all of which were in his Residency area. It was noted that there were repeat requests for him as a speaker.

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*Memo to Glavin  
12/1/49*  
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Director, FBI from T. E. NAUGHTON, Inspector

11/30/49

RE: LEROY B. SKOUSEN, Special Agent  
Portland Division

During 1949 he is responsible for the development of two candidates for the National Academy who desire to attend during 1950.

In May he closed twelve cases, in June twelve, in July seven (on sick leave eleven days), August five cases (on sick leave twelve days), September eight (on annual leave five days), and in October five cases (sick leave for five days). He was hospitalized during July and August, thus accounting for a drop in the number of cases closed in each of those two months.

A computation of his overtime for the previous six months reflected during May he averaged 1 hour and 48 minutes overtime, in June 2 hours and 38 minutes, in July 1 hour and 39 minutes, in August 2 hours and 33 minutes, in September 2 hours and 18 minutes, and in October 1 hour and 51 minutes. This indicates that the Agent is not an 8:30 to 5:30 agent.

PERSONAL INTERVIEW: SKOUSEN makes an excellent impression. He is mature, has a pleasant personality and above-average amount of poise. He has an excellent attitude. He advised that he is available for transfer and that there is no compelling reason why he could not move. He advised that he likes his territory, that he has taken pride in developing it and feels that he has been successful in bringing in new work and in increasing the status of the Bureau's contacts in the Residency area. He had a splendid attitude toward the censure which he had received previously and stated sincerely that he is hoping that by his work he is able to show that he has profited therefrom.

SAC FLETCHER's COMMENTS: The SAC advised that SKOUSEN's reports require less than average supervision. The Agent's relationships with the police and public have been outstanding. The SAC further regards him as an experienced and capable investigator, and an Agent who has the added push and go which has resulted in substantial improvement in the Bureau's work in the Residency area. SAC FLETCHER now rates Agent SKOUSEN as Excellent in GS-12.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION: No. 1 - SKOUSEN is an above-average Agent who apparently has earned an Excellent rating for the period of 8/26/49 (date of most recent special efficiency report) and 11/21/49 (inspection personal write-up). No. 2 - He has worked hard and has produced results of value in his Resident Agency area. No. 3 - He has apparently profited from the criticism previously directed at him. No. 4 - I feel, therefore, that the Bureau's instructions of 5/16/49 transferring him from Vale to Portland are sufficiently strong as administrative action, and that a transfer from the Division is not warranted. No. 5 - Therefore, I recommend that the previous transfer instructions stand.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : W. R. GLAVIN *(W.R.G.)*  
 FROM : H. L. EDWARDS *(H.L.E.)*  
 SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
 SPECIAL AGENT  
 X PORTLAND DIVISION  
 Resident Agent - Vale, Oregon

DATE: December 8, 1949

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

In December 1947, Agent Skousen was censured, suspended without pay for 15 days, placed on probation, and transferred from Los Angeles to Portland for having disclosed to a Special Agent applicant whose application Agent Skousen had sponsored, the fact that the applicant had not been given favorable consideration because of information that he had once written a post card to an individual whose loyalty was under question. Agent Skousen was removed from probation on June 13, 1948, but on May 16, 1949, he was again censured after it was discovered during a monthly inspection examination that he had neglected to witness a signed statement obtained from the subject of a Federal Reserve Act case. At the same time, he was ordered removed as a Resident Agent and a letter transferring him from Vale, Oregon to Portland was sent.

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However, at the request of SAC Fletcher, the Bureau agreed to a 90 day delay in his departure from the Resident Agency when the SAC pointed out that Agent Skousen, who had been designated Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon in November, 1948, in order to develop that part of the Field Division which had not previously been productive, had obtained very satisfactory results in developing prosecutive cases, organizing police schools, arousing interest in the National Academy, and making speaking appearances before numerous organizations. At that time, the SAC felt that the immediate removal of Agent Skousen would hamper the progress for which he had laid the groundwork.

Subsequently, the SAC recommended Skousen's retention as Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon, again pointing out the excellent results Skousen had obtained in the territory from a public relations standpoint as well as in the handling of his investigative assignments.

DIRECTOR'S INSTRUCTIONS

However, the Director instructed that the next time an Inspector should be in Portland, a special report should be made on Agent Skousen at which time it could be determined whether to remove him from the Resident Agency or transfer

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Memo to Mr. Glavin - Continued

him out of the district.

The attached memorandum of Inspector Naughten reflects the results of his inquiry into the matter. Mr. Naughten determined that Agent Skousen has been handling his investigative work in a completely satisfactory fashion, he was producing results of statistical value to the Bureau, no substantive delinquencies were noted in the cases presently assigned to him or recently handled by him, and in general, the Inspector considered Skousen to be an above-average Agent who has worked hard and produced results in his Resident Agency area and has apparently profited from the criticism previously directed at him.

In view of the above, Inspector Naughten felt that the previously issued instructions transferring Skousen from the Resident Agency back to his headquarters city was sufficiently strong administrative action and that a transfer from the Portland Division is not warranted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

1. It is recommended that Agent Skousen not be transferred from the Portland Division.

2. It is further recommended that SAC Fletcher be advised that Skousen is to proceed without further delay to Portland in accordance with the previously issued transfer.

A PERMANENT BRIEF OF AGENT SKOUSEN'S PERSONNEL FILE IS ATTACHED.

Attachments (2)

AC  
FIC:JC

CC - Mr. Clegg  
Portland FO File

WJ Edwards  
JCL  
Laguer  
12/6/49  
12/1/49  
Portland

SKOUSEN

11-8-49

MEMO ALL AGENTS

RE: YOUR TESTIFYING EXPERIENCE

Indicate below, by checking the appropriate column, whether you have ever testified before the following:

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U. S. DISTRICT COURT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
U. S. COMMISSIONER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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U. S. COURT OF CLAIMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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CAC, Portland

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December 12, 1949

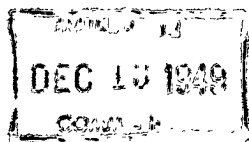
Director, FBI

LENN B. SKOUSEN  
Special Agent

Reference is made to Bureau letter of May 10, 1949 to the captioned Special Agent transferring him from Vale, Oregon to Portland. Agent Skousen should proceed to Portland without further delay in accordance with the above-mentioned instructions and you should advise the Bureau the date he assumes his duties at Portland.

CC: Movement

JIC/dfs



Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
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REPORT OF  
EFFICIENCY RATING

ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )  
OFFICIAL:  
REGULAR (X) SPECIAL ( )  
PROBATIONAL ( )

As of March 31, 1950 based on performance during period from May 15, 1949 to March 31, 1950

LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
(Name of employee)

SPECIAL AGENT, GS-12  
(Title of position, service, and grade)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, PORTLAND, OREGON  
(Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE		CHECK ONE:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if adequate	1. Study the instructions in the Rating Official's Guide, C. S. C. Form No. 3823A.	Administrative, supervisory, or planning <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> if weak	2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.	All others <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if outstanding	3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. a. Do not rate on elements in <i>italics</i> except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in <i>italics</i> .	

- \_\_\_\_ (1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.  
\_\_\_\_ (2) Mechanical skill.  
+ (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.  
\_\_\_\_ (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).  
+ (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.  
+ (6) Attention to pertinent detail.  
\_\_\_\_ (7) Accuracy of operations.  
+ (8) Accuracy of final results.  
+ (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.  
+ (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.  
+ (11) Industry.  
+ (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.  
+ (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? No)  
+ (14) Ability to organize his work.  
+ (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.  
+ (16) Cooperativeness.  
+ (17) Initiative.  
+ (18) Resourcefulness.  
+ (19) Dependability.  
+ (20) Physical fitness for the work.

- \_\_\_\_ (21) Effectiveness in planning broad programs.  
\_\_\_\_ (22) Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.  
\_\_\_\_ (23) Effectiveness in devising procedures.  
\_\_\_\_ (24) Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.  
\_\_\_\_ (25) Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.  
\_\_\_\_ (26) Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.  
\_\_\_\_ (27) Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.  
\_\_\_\_ (28) Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.  
\_\_\_\_ (29) Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.  
\_\_\_\_ (30) Ability to make decisions.  
\_\_\_\_ (31) Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

- + (A) Capability for additional responsibility  
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STANDARD

Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form

Plus marks on all underlined elements, and check marks or better on all other elements rated.  
Check marks or better on all elements rated, and plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements.  
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and all weak performance overcompensated by outstanding performance.  
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and all weak performance not overcompensated by outstanding performance.  
Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements.

Adjective  
Rating

Excellent  
Very Good  
Good  
Fair  
Unsatisfactory

Rating  
official

Very good PBS

Reviewing  
official

Rated by [Signature]  
(Signature of rating official)

Special Agent in Charge  
(Title)

April 7, 1950  
(Date)

Reviewed by [Signature]  
(Signature of reviewing official)

Assistant Director  
(Title)

4/25/50  
(Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee

(Date)

Report to employee

(Adjective rating)

LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT, GS-12  
ANNUAL EFFICIENCY REPORT

SA SKOUSEN is of normal height and slender build. He presents a neat, well-groomed appearance. He is aggressive and self-assured.

SA SKOUSEN is rated as excellent in his dictation by four stenographers of the Portland Office and very good by two. He appears to be mentally and physically constituted so as to operate successfully on dangerous assignments. He has successfully participated in physical surveillances. He is well qualified in the handling of firearms. He has operated on fugitive apprehensions during the period of this report. His reports generally speaking are well done. They require less than average supervision. By letter dated May 16, 1949 he was censured by the Bureau for his failure to witness a signed statement which was taken from the subject in the case entitled "RUAL W. CARLSTROM, wa, Teller, State Bank of Malheur County, Ontario, Oregon, FEDERAL RESERVE ACT," Portland file 29-414.

His contacts with law enforcement officials and the general public have been exceptionally good. During the first nine months of this report he functioned as Resident Agent at Ontario, Oregon, during which time a very substantial increase was noted in requests for public appearances of personnel of the Portland Division. He further developed an interest in schooling among the police officers of that area, and successful schools were held as a result of this activity. He organizes and initiates his work in good order, showing a very substantial volume of production. His investigative work requires less than average supervision for an agent of his grade and experience. He is able to meet his deadlines and works according to the needs of his assignments.

SA SKOUSEN has handled all types of investigative endeavor in connection with his resident agency activities and in the last three months of this report has handled general criminal and personnel types of investigations out of the headquarters city. He is a qualified Bureau speaker, and most favorable comment has been noted concerning his handling of this type of assignment. He accepts responsibility and discharges it with very little supervision. He appears to be physically fit. He has testified in court and before the grand jury and has shown himself as a capable witness. He is available for special and general assignment.

He has not indicated above-average administrative or executive ability. He is rated as very good.

  
R. L. MURPHY, SAC

FAF:kam

YBs 

NAME: LEROY B. SKOUSEN

TITLE: Special Agent

ENTERED ON DUTY: July 19, 1943

SALARY: CAF 12, \$6235.20

PREFERENCE: Los Angeles

EXAMINATION: 98.75%

DICTATION RATING: Very Good

SAC FLETCHER: SA SKOUSEN is of normal height and build, presenting a well groomed appearance. He is mature. He has handled all types of investigations and is now Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon. His reports are well written, requiring less than average supervision. His relationships with police and the public are worthy of favorable comment, he having entered a resident agent territory which had been to a degree neglected because of lack of previous resident agent assignment there. He has developed a police relations program, a speaking program, and a schooling program in this territory along with handling a better than average volume of work. He is an experienced agent, and his investigative endeavors require very little supervision. He appears to be physically fit and is available for special or general assignment. He is an agent with an added push and go that has shown substantial results in his handling of a resident agency assignment.

STATUS: Excellent:

INSPECTOR NAUGHTEN: I have submitted separately a special report on this agent pursuant to SOG memorandum dated September 12, 1949 (H. L. Edwards to Mr. Glavin), wherein I recommend that the original transfer order stand, it being adequate administrative action.

*Memor to Glavin  
12/21/49 JBC*

Inspection Report  
Portland Office  
Inspector Naughten  
November 21, 1949  
Interviewed by: Inspector T. E. Naughten

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*for Glavin*  
*12/21/49*



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

DATE: 5-3-50

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: LeRoy B. Skousen  
Special Agent  
Portland Office

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RE: UNIFORM PROMOTION

This employee entered on duty as a Clerk, 8-4-41, and was appointed to the position of Special Agent 7-19-43 in Grade CAF-9, \$3200 per annum. He was reallocated to CAF-12, \$6235.20 per annum on 11-14-48 and as the result of a basic increase his present salary is \$6400 per annum in GS-12. He is eligible for a Uniform Promotion effective 5-14-50.

By letter dated 5-16-49 he was censured for his mishandling of the case of Rual W. Carlstrom, was., Federal Reserve Act, in which he failed to witness a signed statement which the subject had executed admitting his violation of the Federal Reserve Act. It was pointed out to him that such dereliction was not in keeping with the standards expected of Agents of this Bureau and might have resulted in considerable embarrassment both to him and the Bureau in the event the subject had been prosecuted. It was further pointed out that in the future it would be necessary for him to display greater care in such matters in order to avoid similar shortcomings. Should there be a repetition, further administrative action might become necessary. As a result of the above dereliction he was transferred from Vale, Oregon, to Portland thus effecting his removal as a Resident Agent.

On 5-24-49 his SAC recommended that his transfer be held in abeyance for 90 days in order that the full benefit of his contacts with law enforcement officers and businessmen in that area be fully realized by the Portland Division and the Bureau before his removal from that area. The Bureau approved this recommendation.

On 5-27-49 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he was conscientious, enthusiastic employee, and had devoted a great deal of time to handling the work assigned to him with little regard to the official working hours of the day and frequently putting in additional time to complete the work assigned to him. Improvement had been noted in his dictation, he was rated as very good, with the suggestion being made that further improvement could be achieved through eliminating the necessity for inserts. While at Vale, Oregon he handled a very heavy case load, he had developed excellent relations with local law enforcement officials and other contacts. He had increased the number of cases in that area to the extent that on occasions it had been necessary to provide a road trip agent in order to bring his work to a current status. A police school recently completed in the city of Ontario in which excellent police relations were developed. A request had recently been received from the Chief of Police at Nyssa, Oregon, requesting an application for the National Academy as a result of contacts which had been made by him. An increase had been noted in prosecution of cases arising in the Vale residency area since the assignment of this agent to that residency. His general contact in the area was reflected in the numerous requests that had been received since his assignment for appearances before civic

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groups and organizations of Bureau representatives. Talks had been given by him and had impressed the groups as to result in requests for return appearances. During the self-inspection it was noted that in a review of the case of Rual W. Carlstrom, he failed to witness the signed statement obtained from subject and failed to submit the interview log for inclusion in the file although one had been prepared by him at the time of interview. On the basis of his over-all performance, it was felt he was entitled to the rating of Very Good.

On 8-26-49 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he had continued in his work of developing the territory in the extreme east portion of the State of Oregon. His police relations had been excellent, the present candidate for the National Academy had been developed through his efforts at the City of Nyssa, Oregon, and another application received from the Sheriff of Malheur County located at Vale, Oregon. It was contemplated additional schooling would be handled during the fall in this resident agency area as a result of his police work. His reports were well written, requiring very little supervision. He had handled his own investigations in a logical manner. He was a conscientious employee and gauged his work by the amount of work to be handled and not by working hours. He had shown a substantial volume of production and assumed responsibility carrying it out with but a minimum of supervision. He maintained his work in a current status. His assignments had been in all types of cases arising in a resident agency, which included general criminal and personnel types of investigations. He was continuing to develop and had conducted a well-rounded program of handling his police relations and his work in over-all public relations of a resident agent in a most commendable manner. He had not indicated more than average administrative or supervisory ability.

By a separate communication SAC Fletcher said in view of his excellent results from a public relations standpoint as well as the handling of his investigative assignments, it was recommended that he be retained as a Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon. In view of a scheduled inspection of the Portland Office the Inspector was instructed to carefully check the work of this Agent and to submit his recommendation commenting specifically concerning the desirability of continuing or removing this agent from his residency.

During an Inspection of the Portland Office in November, 1949, SAC Fletcher said he was mature, had handled all types of investigations and was now Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon. His reports were well written, requiring less than average supervision. His relationships with police and the public was worthy of favorable comment. He was an experienced Agent and his work required very little supervision. He appeared to be physically fit and was available for special or general assignment. He was an Agent with an added "push and go" that had shown substantial results in his handling of a resident agency assignment. Status: Excellent. Inspector Naughten said he was an above average agent who apparently had earned an excellent rating, he had worked hard and produced results of value in his Resident Agency area. He had apparently profited from the criticism previously directed at him. Inspector Naughten felt that the Bureau's instructions of 5-16-49 transferring him from Vale to Portland was sufficiently strong as administrative action, and that a transfer from the Division was not warranted. Therefore, it was recommended that the previous transfer instructions stand.

On 1-22-50 he was transferred from Vale to Portland, Oregon.

On 3-31-50 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he was aggressive and self-assured, he was rated as an excellent dictator, appeared to be mentally and physically constituted so as to operate successfully on dangerous assignments. He had successfully participated in physical surveillances. He was well qualified to handle firearms. He had operated on fugitive apprehensions during the rating period. His reports generally were well done, requiring less than average supervision. In May, 1949, he was censured for his failure to witness a signed statement which he had taken from the subject in the case entitled "Rual W. Carlstrom, Federal Reserve Act". His contacts had been exceptionally good. During the first nine months of this report he functioned as Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon, during which time a very substantial increase was noted in requests for public appearances of personnel of the Portland Office. He further developed an interest in Schooling among the police officers of that area, and successful schools were held as a result of this activity. He organized and initiated his work in good order, showing a very substantial volume of production. His investigative work required less than average supervision for an agent of his grade and experience. He was able to meet all his deadlines and work according to the need of his assignments. He had handled all types of investigative endeavor in connection with his resident agency activities and in the last three months of this report he had handled general criminal and personnel types of investigations out of the headquarters city. He was a qualified Bureau speaker, and most favorable comment had been noted concerning his handling of this type of assignment. He accepted responsibility and discharged it with very little supervision. He appeared physically fit. He testified in court and made a capable witness. He was available for special and general assignment. He had not indicated above-average administrative or executive ability. He was rated as very good.

RECOMMENDATION: In view of the administrative action taken against him in May, 1949 it is recommended that he be passed over for a Uniform Promotion to be reconsidered in August, 1950.

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W. H. Edwards  
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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.



Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY-ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Chief Clerk of the FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name *Helene P. Hansen* Relationship *Wife* Date *4-1-50*  
Address *5565 S. P. Pine Portland*

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in line of duty.

Name *Helene P. Hansen* Relationship *wife* Date *4-1-50*  
Address *Hansen*

Very truly yours,

*Leroy B. Hansen*  
Special Agent

APR 18 1950

Portland

Mr. Leroy B. Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: MAY 31, 1950

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT~~PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL~~

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I thought you would want to know that Mr. Royal P. Skousen, who is the father of Special Agent LEROY B. SKOUSEN of this Office, passed away on Sunday - May 21 - at San Bernardino, California.

Special Agent SKOUSEN returned to the Portland Office this morning, having attended his father's funeral.

The Bureau has undoubtedly been previously advised by the Los Angeles Office.

SJW:PJD

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May 29, 1950

Mr. LeRoy B. Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Skousen:

I have received word concerning the passing of your Father, and I want to extend my most heartfelt sympathy to you in the great loss you have sustained.

I know that words cannot lessen your sorrow, but I do want you to know that my thoughts are with you in your bereavement.

Sincerely,

cc: SAC, Portland (P&C)

RKW:mac  
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The above mentioned employee is the brother of Special Agent W. Cleon Skousen. The Bureau was advised in a letter dated May 22, 1950, that their Father had passed away suddenly.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN *ELL*  
 FROM : E. E. HARGETT

DATE: June 22, 1950

SUBJECT: WAYNE LONG;  
 First National Bank of Portland,  
 S. E. Portland Branch,  
 5444 S. E. 82nd, Portland, Oregon,  
 June 15, 1950  
 BANK ROBBERY: ASSAULTING A FEDERAL OFFICER

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SA Leroy B. Skousen was assigned to surveil Wayne B. Long who had been released from the Oregon State Penitentiary. While on the surveillance, Long was seen to enter the First National Bank of Portland, S. E. Portland Branch, and then to come running out of this bank firing a Reising sub-machine gun. Agent Skousen observed Long to fire at and hit Agent Frank and then to run in the direction of Agent Skousen. Agent Skousen, at a distance of 60 to 100 yards away from subject Long, remained cool and with precision fired 3 times at Long, wounding Long and causing his apprehension. Skousen displayed bravery under fire and shot Long on a crowded street and no innocent bystanders were in any way injured as a result of his action. It was later determined that in addition to the Reising sub-machine gun, Long also had a .45 caliber colt automatic pistol strapped to his leg.

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O F I C E N E T W O R K A G E N T S \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. LADD

DATE: 6/15/50

FROM: A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: WAYNE LEROY LONG  
FIRST NATIONAL BANK, PORTLAND,  
OREGON, JUNE 15, 1950  
BANK ROBBERY

With further reference to the shooting of Agent Leonard Frank in connection with the surveillance on Wayne Leroy Long, the following details were obtained.

Special Agent Leonard Frank is presently at the Portland Sanitarium and is receiving all available medical assistance. Nothing is being spared. I inquired as to his condition and it has been ascertained that he is not critically hit. He has been shot in the arm and has a possible fracture of the right arm. He has also been hit twice in the stomach but the bullets did not penetrate internally so that none of his internal organs have been injured nor are the wounds considered serious at this time. The hospital says that he will live.

Further details concerning the facts leading up to the shooting and the circumstances surrounding the shooting are as follows.

Wayne Leroy Long was under surveillance by Agents of the Portland Office pursuant to the following circumstances.

[redacted] is one of the ten most important fugitives of the Bureau and was formerly an inmate of the Oregon State Penitentiary, from which after several unsuccessful escape attempts, he did escape May 30, 1949. He had been sentenced to life imprisonment in the Oregon State Penitentiary, May 24, 1947, for first degree murder.

On June 13, the Portland Division received information from the Warden at OSP, the informant for which was believed reliable, to the effect that Wayne Leroy Long, a prison acquaintance of [redacted] was expecting to be contacted by [redacted] upon Long's release from OSP, Wednesday, June 14. The Warden advised that Long might be "sowing seed for a good penitentiary rumor," but that his background lends support to the report. He would be a logical associate for [redacted] after his release. This same informant later advised the Warden that Long was to meet [redacted] June 17 at "Willard Springs" near Baker or Raines, Oregon, and, failing at that rendezvous, he would meet [redacted] on an unknown date 20 miles from Joplin, Missouri, near Lanover (believed to be Lanover, Stone County, Arkansas).

Upon Long's release from the Oregon State Penitentiary, he was kept under constant surveillance by the Portland Division and proceeded with another inmate, [redacted] released at the same time, and [redacted] brother, who joined

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cc-Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Nichols

Memo to Mr. Ladd

them up, to Portland where they separated. Long took a bus into Portland, subsequently visited two or three taverns and thereafter took a bus to the outskirts of Portland where from bushes near the highway he secured two large paper bags, contents unknown. One of these was thought to contain clothes since Long subsequently changed shirt and tie.

At 1:25 p.m., Washington time, ASAC Scott J. Werner communicated with the Bureau and furnished the fragmentary facts heretofore submitted. At that time he also was instructed to immediately make the facts available to the press and a statement was released by him to the papers.

The details available at this time indicate that after Long had secured two large paper bags, he wandered around on the outskirts of Portland and went to a motel at 6933 Southeast 82nd where he rented a room for \$1.00. Of course the Agents had him under surveillance at the time and in their surveillance they were assisted by Oregon State Police officers. It was found out from the motel operator that Long did not want to be disturbed and he locked himself in his room and said that he would be busy for about twenty minutes. At approximately 8:00 p.m., Pacific Daylight Savings Time, the evening of June 14 which was last night, the subject was picked up by a Ford pick-up truck. It was believed that two men were in the truck. The surveillance on Long had to be discreet and was therefore kept at a safe distance and the number of occupants of the pick-up truck could not definitely be ascertained. The truck, however, was kept under surveillance at a safe distance and the Agents were able to observe that the truck bore a Washington State license number. It has subsequently been ascertained that this truck was registered to one Walter L. Snaker and an appropriate check is being made to further determine his identity and activities.

The truck, as has been indicated, was kept under surveillance and it leisurely drove around the country dirt roads on the outskirts of Portland. The Agents were in four cars and were assisted in the surveillance by the Oregon State Police. The pick-up truck turned off on one of the country roads and it was decided not to follow it in because to do so would disclose the surveillance. The Oregon State Police stayed with the Agents on an all night vigil covering the area waiting for the pick-up truck to return to the main highway. At about 3:00 a.m. this morning (June 15) the Oregon State Police departed the scene and the Agents continued the surveillance. There were eight Agents and four cars.

At approximately 6:37 a.m. this morning the Ford pick-up truck came to the point where it had turned off the evening before and the subject was in the car alone. He leisurely drove around in the vicinity without any apparent destination for a couple of hours and was kept under constant surveillance. He parked in the Area and then drove around some more, reaching the vicinity of the bank shortly before 10:00 in the morning. The surveilling Agents were moving into the area shortly thereafter.

According to the report obtained so far, the subject was seen walking in the direction of the bank, turned the corner and the Agents keeping him under surveillance were following him. The next activity definitely known to the Agents was the cries of persons in the vicinity who shouted words to the effect that the bank had been robbed and simultaneous with this shouting several shots were fired by Subject Long.

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According to Agent Kelly Deaderick, Special Agent Leonard Frank and Agent Leroy Skousen, fired at the subject. Leonard Frank, the Agent who was hit had fired one shot from his gun and Skousen fired three. Subject Long had completely emptied a Reising submachinegun which contained a clip capable of holding twenty shots. It is not known how many shots were fired by Subject Long. The subject was hit once in the upper right arm and apparently bled considerably. According to reports available, subject has had the upper femur shattered and there is a possibility of one of the main muscles being permanently injured. The exact condition of the subject is not known.

ASAC Scott J. Wenner has been instructed to obtain more detailed information as to the exact circumstances immediately preceding the shooting and the actual shooting. It is known, according to Deaderick who was a witness to the shooting that he was moving into the vicinity and had a machine gun in his possession which he did not shoot in view of the fact that the subject had been downed by the time he moved into position. He was able to observe that the subject was hit and was put out of commission.

The Agents who were at the scene are interviewing the subject and are also investigating the robbery in which the subject obtained \$9,716. Additional details, of course, will be obtained when the Agents get back to the office.

The subject, Wayne Leroy Long, according to the Identification Division records, was born May 29 1924 and under FBI No. 1493742 has a criminal record dating from December, 1937. He has been convicted of auto larceny and was sentenced to the State Penitentiary, Bismark, North Dakota, November 10, 1941, for one year. Subsequently, on January 18, 1943, he was sentenced to the State Penitentiary, Salem, Oregon, for assault with intent to rob, to a term of eight years. On April 4, 1944, he attempted escape but was returned April 5, 1944. On April 2, 1946, he attempted escape but was returned April 3, 1946. He has been described by the Warden at OSP as "cool, cold-hearted, and dangerous." He refused to work while at the penitentiary and served his complete sentence (according to the Warden, possibly to avoid parole.) The remainder of Long's criminal record reflects juvenile offenses, training school terms and minor violations from which no prison sentence resulted. Attached hereto is a copy of Long's Identification Record.

The investigation is continuing and all possible angles are being run out including the possibility of locating  I have impressed upon the Portland Office the necessity of keeping right after all possible leads on this case.

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#### RECOMMENDATION

A copy of this memorandum is being transmitted to Mr. Glavin and a copy is also being transmitted to Mr. Nichols so that appropriate recommended action can be taken.

Memo for Mr. Ladd

It is recommended that the following action be taken.

1. A telegram immediately be sent to Special Agent Leonard Frank at the hospital. The address is Portland Sanitarium, 932 Southeast 60th Street, telephone number Empire 4121. The Agent should be commended for his heroic action and should be wished a speedy recovery.

Director's Notation "Yes at once. H."

2. A meritorious raise should be immediately given this Agent.

Director's Notation "Yes at once. H."

3. An appropriate wire should be sent to his family assuring them that everything is being done in his behalf. A letter from the Director, I believe, would be very reassuring to the family.

4. Agent Leroy Skousen should immediately get a wire commending him for his heroic and alert action. He should also receive a meritorious raise.

The following Agents who were on the surveillance should receive wires of commendation. I have checked with Scott Werner on the recommendation with reference to the letters of commendation and he agrees that Frank and Skousen should receive meritorious raises and the following Agents should receive wires of commendation. The Agents are Kelly Deadrick, [redacted] Bennett R. Stecher, [redacted] Joseph W. O'Reilly, [redacted]

Under other circumstances, I would recommend that the Oregon State Police officers get letters of commendation but inasmuch as they left the surveillance at 3:00 a. m. in the morning and the Agents continued on, and as the State Police were not in on the apprehension, I see no necessity for sending any letters of commendation to them.

Director's Notation "Act promptly on all. H."

Attachment.

Department of Justice

RECOMMENDATION FOR SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD

Prepared by: *man*  
Checked by: *man*  
Filed by:

Date: June 23, 1950

To: The Administrative Assistant to the Attorney General  
Attention: Committee on Superior Accomplishment Awards

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From: ~~Federal Bureau of Investigation~~  
(Division, Bureau or Office)

Subject: Superior Accomplishment Award  
Section 403, Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945

The following recommendation is presented for consideration at your next meeting:

Name: Leroy B. Skousen Division:  
Position title: Special Agent Grade: G3 12 Salary: \$6400 per annum  
Last salary increase: From \$5232 in GAF 11 Date: 11-14-48 Amount: \$1003.20 per annum  
to \$6235.20 in GAF 12  
Last superior accomplishment award: none Date: Amount:  
Description of superior accomplishment. Include following information:

(a) What the standards are for this employee's type of work or what is normally expected in the position; (b) What this employee did; (c) How the work he did exceeded the standards, or how the idea or method or device is expected to improve service, or how the special act or service exceeds the normal requirements of his job.

It is recommended this employee be afforded an advancement from \$6400 per annum to \$6500 per annum in Grade G3 12 in view of his outstanding services recently rendered in the apprehension of a bank robber at the scene of his crime.

On June 14, 1950 Wayne Leroy Long, an inmate of the Oregon State Penitentiary, was released after serving his full term of sentence for the crime of assault with intent to rob, the original sentence being for the term of eight years. Long was considered by Oregon State Penitentiary officials to be a cool, cold-hearted and dangerous criminal. He was an associate of a badly wanted fugitive, [redacted] for whom the FBI has conducted extensive investigation looking toward his apprehension. Acting upon information received that Long was expecting to contact [redacted] following his release from prison, the FBI placed a discreet surveillance upon Long for the purpose of observing his movements in order to determine if he would make contact with [redacted]. This surveillance was carried on throughout the afternoon of June 14th, through the night of June 14th and into the morning hours of June 15, 1950. At approximately 10:00

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_

Committee on Superior Accomplishment Awards Date  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Admin. Assistant to the Attorney General Date  
Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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J. Edgar Hoover

Head of Division or Bureau

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Attorney General

Date

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For: Administrative Assistant Attorney General  
Attention: Committee on Superior Accomplishment Awards

A. M. on the morning of June 15, 1950 Long was surveilled into the First National Bank of Portland, Oregon and it was observed he had in his possession a large paper sack. The surveilling Agents took up positions outside of the bank in order to observe his activities as he left. There was no indication whatsoever that he was engaged in any criminal activity at that time. Suddenly Long emerged from the bank carrying a Kellogg sub-machine gun and from orifice coming from within the bank it was apparent that he had just staged a hold-up. Special Agent Skousen was in a position approximately 100 yards from the doorway of the bank as Long opened up with his sub-machine gun and commenced indiscriminate firing in order to effect his escape. He succeeded in wounding Special Agent Leonard Frank who turned his escape route in the general direction of the position occupied by Special Agent Skousen. Agent Skousen was presented with a difficult situation in that the shooting was occurring on a crowded street during the rush hours of the morning and there were numerous innocent bystanders and passersby in the vicinity. The subject Long was bent on making good his escape and accordingly he was firing his weapon in a haphazard fashion so as to clear the path ahead of him. He had no regard for the lives of others. Agent Skousen realized that injury might result to innocent persons by virtue of a wild shot and therefore withheld his fire until he had a clear opportunity to shoot Long without endangering others. At this juncture the subject was approximately 100 yards from Agent Skousen, who was able to wound Long with a shot in the right arm that traveled up through his neck and immediately felled him. Long was thereafter taken into custody.

It is considered that Agent Skousen acted in a highly commendable fashion in realizing the importance, under such crucial circumstances, of protecting the lives of innocent bystanders by withholding his fire until the opportunity presented itself of making sure that his firing did not endanger the lives of others but did bring the subject down. This called for calm and collected thinking under trying circumstances. In addition it is pointed out that he was firing with a .38 caliber service revolver at a man who was returning fire with a .45 caliber sub-machine gun. In spite of this handicap and in spite of the great distance that the shot traveled he was successful in bringing the subject into custody by his exceptional showing of good judgment, cool efficiency and excellent marksmanship. It is considered he fully warrants the promotion recommended.

# REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )  
OFFICIAL:  
REGULAR ( ) SPECIAL (X)  
PROBATIONAL ( )

As of July 19, 1950 based on performance during period from April 1, 1950 to July 19, 1950

LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
(Name of employee)

SPECIAL AGENT, GS-12

(Title of position, service, and grade)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, PORTLAND DIVISION

(Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE	1. Study the instructions in the Rating Official's Guide, C. S. C. Form No. 3823A. 2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position. 3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. a. Do not rate on elements in <i>italics</i> except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in <i>italics</i> .	CHECK ONE: Administrative, supervisory, or planning <input type="checkbox"/> All others <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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- \_\_\_\_ (1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.
- \_\_\_\_ (2) Mechanical skill.
- + (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.
- \_\_\_\_ (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).
- + (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
- ✓ (6) Attention to pertinent detail.
- \_\_\_\_ (7) Accuracy of operations.
- + (8) Accuracy of final results.
- ✓ (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
- + (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
- + (11) Industry.
- + (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
- + (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? No) (Yes or no)
- + (14) Ability to organize his work.
- + (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
- + (16) Cooperativeness.
- + (17) Initiative.
- + (18) Resourcefulness.
- + (19) Dependability.
- + (20) Physical fitness for the work.

- \_\_\_\_ (21) Effectiveness in planning broad programs.
- \_\_\_\_ (22) Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.
- \_\_\_\_ (23) Effectiveness in devising procedures.
- \_\_\_\_ (24) Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.
- \_\_\_\_ (25) Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.
- \_\_\_\_ (26) Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.
- \_\_\_\_ (27) Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.
- \_\_\_\_ (28) Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.
- \_\_\_\_ (29) Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.
- \_\_\_\_ (30) Ability to make decisions.
- \_\_\_\_ (31) Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

- + (A) Capability for additional responsibility
- \_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

## STANDARD

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Plus marks on all underlined elements, and check marks or better on all other elements rated.  
Check marks or better on all elements rated, and plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements.  
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and all weak performance overcompensated by outstanding performance.  
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and all weak performance not overcompensated by outstanding performance.  
Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements.

Adjective Rating  
Excellent  
Very Good  
Good  
Fair  
Unsatisfactory

Rating official Very Good PBS.

Reviewing official J.C.

Rated by R. L. MURPHY  
(Signature of rating official)

Special Agent in Charge  
(Title)

July 19, 1950  
(Date)

Reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of reviewing official)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

JUL 27 1950  
(Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Report to employee \_\_\_\_\_  
(Adjective rating)

LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT, GS-12

This is a special efficiency report as instructed by Bureau letter of July 7, 1950.

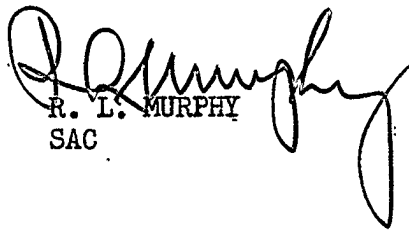
SA SKOUSEN presents a satisfactory personal appearance, is of average height although somewhat slender in build. He always presents a neat, well-groomed appearance. He appears to have the necessary amount of resourcefulness and aggressiveness.

He is rated as excellent in his dictation by stenographers of the Portland Office, operates an automobile satisfactorily, and is qualified to operate on dangerous assignments. He recently participated in the apprehension of WAYNE LEROY LONG, a bank robber, and his efforts were largely responsible for the wounding and apprehension of this subject. He has operated on a physical surveillance successfully. He is well qualified in the handling of Bureau firearms. His reports and other paper work are usually in good order, although it was necessary to return one Loyalty of Government Employees report to him during the period of this report for correction of a number of errors of a minor nature which were detected before the report was signed.

SA SKOUSEN has good ability to contact law enforcement officials and others. He appears to be able to organize and initiate his work and investigations in a satisfactory manner with a minimum of supervision. He appears to be physically fit. He has testified both in U. S. District Court and before the U. S. Commissioner in a satisfactory manner. He is available for special and general assignment.

During the period of this report he has worked principally on general criminal investigative work, a number of applicants, and a few security matter cases. He has been on road trips for a considerable period of time and has also worked out of the headquarters city.

He has not demonstrated above-average administrative or executive ability, but in view of his satisfactory progress I believe he is entitled to a rating of Very Good at this time.

  
R. L. MURPHY  
SAC

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RECOMMENDATION FOR SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Date June 23, 1950

To: The Administrative Assistant to the Attorney General  
Attention: Committee on Superior Accomplishment Awards

From: Federal Bureau of Investigation  
(Division, Bureau or Office)

Subject: Superior Accomplishment Award  
Section 403, Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945

Mr. Andretta ....  
Mr. Butts .....  
Assts. Div. ....  
Ch. Clk. ....  
Personnel Off. ....  
Supply Div. ....  
Records Div. ....  
Mr. Corbell ....  
Mr. Egan ....  
Stat. ....

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Recommended:

Committee on Superior Accomplishment Awards  
S. G. Andretta  
Admin. Assistant to the Attorney General

Date  
7-7-50  
Date

Approved:

J. Edgar Hoover  
Head of Division or Bureau  
Attorney General  
Date

SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD

To: Administrative Assistant Attorney General  
Attention: Committee on Superior Accomplishment Awards

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July 20, 1950

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Mr. Leroy E. Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Skousen:

With reference to the Bureau's wire of June 16, 1950, advising you were being recommended for promotion from \$6400 per annum to \$6600 per annum in Grade GS 12, I am writing to advise you that this promotion became effective July 9, 1950.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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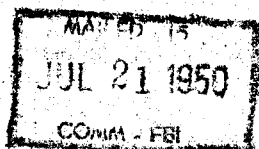
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CC: SAC, Portland (Personal Attention)  
Government Section  
Mr. J. E. Edwards

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*[Signature]*  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 28, 1950

FROM : SAC, Portland

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKCUSEN  
Special Agent

Reference is made to P & C letter to the Bureau from the Los Angeles Office enclosing copies of a letter dated July 20, 1950 from Mrs. D. L. SIMKINS, 1329 Belleview, San Bernardino, California.

I am attaching hereto a memorandum submitted to me by SA SKCUSEN dated July 28, 1950 with reference to his business transactions with these people.

It is believed that the memorandum is self-explanatory and that the matter has been properly handled.

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*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC MURPHY

FROM : SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN

SUBJECT: MRS. D. L. SIMKINS (AND MR.)

DATE: July 28, 1950

On March 15, 1950 the writer traded his home at Rialto, California, for a duplex at 67 NE Fargo Street in Portland. Mrs. D. L. SIMKINS was the owner of the latter. The writer's home at Rialto, California, is a three-year-old, two-bedroom home situated on a half acre of oranges. It is valued by the bank at Rialto as worth \$5,000. The duplex is 48 years old and is valued by the First National Bank of Portland as worth \$3,750. Mr. and Mrs. SIMKINS demanded \$1,000 in addition to the houses being traded. Inasmuch as the writer had received news from his father that he was so ill that he could not manage the writer's home, he decided to sacrifice his home in this transaction.

When these folks were ready to leave they came to the writer and said they had some furniture in the duplex they could not sell and would I do them a personal favor by taking it off their hands. I looked at the furniture, and it was obvious that they wanted too much for it. I told them this and indicated what I thought was a reasonable price. I told them further that I had spent all of the money I had available on the transaction and that they would have to wait for payment until I received some money which was due me in sixty days. This they were very happy to do. They then departed for California.

The next contact I had with them occurred when they wrote a very abusive letter saying that they had moved into the place and that it was not as clean as they expected, that some of the light switches did not work, that a faucet kept dripping, and that the gas fixtures were not as they desired them to be. They indicated I had misrepresented the place because of the above objections and asked me to fix them. I wrote them as friendly a letter as possible and told them I would pay for these items so that the place would be exactly as I told them it was. They then sent me a bill for \$29 for materials and \$56 for electrical changes that they had decided to make.

Inasmuch as my money did not come in by the sixty agreed days I wrote them and advised them that it had not, but that I would send the money as soon as it had. They replied that they didn't trust anyone and that "all people tried to take advantage of old folks" and that if I didn't send it by return mail they would take other actions to embarrass me. This letter was addressed to me at the "Court House Building" and was directed to the County Court House. It was received ten days late. In the meantime the writer's money had been received, and a check for \$210 was forwarded to them on July 18, 1950 which closes my account with them. The writer paid the electrical contractor direct.

The writer has done everything in his power to terminate this transaction on a favorable basis with some very disagreeable people.

LBS:kam

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Los Angeles, California  
July 31, 1950

Director, FBI

PERSONAL AND  
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RE: LEROY SKOUSEN  
Special Agent

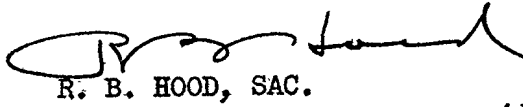
Dear Sir:

Remylet 7-25-50.

An undated postcard has been received at this office from Mrs. D. L. Simkins, 1329 Belleview, San Bernardino, California, in which she states that she has recently received a check from Agent Skousen.

Very truly yours,

RBH:AB  
AIR MAIL

  
R. B. HOOD, SAC.

CC PORTLAND - P & C  
AIR MAIL

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 11, 1950

FROM : SAC, Portland

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

SA SKOUSEN has advised me that he is interested in receiving assignments to make addresses on occasions when his services are necessary.

It is requested that I be advised if the Bureau has any objection to assigning SA SKOUSEN to addressing small groups when it appears that it would be proper to assign him. 158

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SAC, Portland  
Director, FBI  
LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

August 28, 1950

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Reurlet 8-11-50, indicating that the captioned Special Agent is interested in receiving assignments to make speeches on occasions when his services are necessary.

You should carefully explain to Special Agent Skousen the Bureau's desire to have speeches made by the SAC or the ASAC, and that it will not be possible to assign him in this connection at the present time.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: LEROY SKOUSEN  
Special Agent

DATE: July 28, 1950

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Copies of a letter dated July 20, 1950, from Mrs. D. L. SIMKINS, 1329 Belleview, San Bernardino, California, are being furnished the Bureau and the Portland Office with this communication.

The Portland Office is requested to advise the Bureau direct with reference to the transaction referred to by Mrs. SIMKINS.

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Mr. R. B. Hood  
900 Security Bldg.  
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Mr. Hood:

I called the F.B.I. office in San Bernardino to see if I could get some information about Leroy Skousen, who is a special agent of the FBI & - as we understood - was sent to Portland from here.

We traded a duplex for a small 4R house in Rialto which was misrepresented to the Nth degree. We thot, being a member of the FBI, he had to be honest & his word good.

We left him, at a very low cost, \$180.00 worth of our furniture for which we have his note. It is over 2 mos. overdue. We have written him & even told him if we didn't hear by return mail we would take other steps. This was over 2 weeks ago. We have waited because we thot he could be out of the city.

We are 61 and 63 yrs old & we have found no work & we do need our money.

We wrote Mr. Skousen & told him how we found the house & he said to have it put in shape & he'd take care of the bill. Somehow we were very cautious & we did most of the work ourselves, except for a small plumbing bill & lumber, that bill was \$29.00. If we had done as he said & fixed all the floors etc, the bill would have been over \$100.00 & we would be just out that much.

I'm sure we would appreciate anything you can do for us. Thanking you in advance, I am

Sincerely,

(s) Mrs. D. L. Simkins  
1329 Belleview  
(San Bernardino, California)

P.S.

I failed to tell you we have traded the house in Rialto for this in San Bernardino. Mrs. S.

Of course we could perhaps get an attorney to collect this but as you know they take so much of it & we need our money.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. GLAVIN

DATE: 8-8-50

FROM : H. L. EDWARDS

SUBJECT: SA LeROY B. SKOUSEN  
PORTLAND DIVISION

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SAC Hood has forwarded to the Bureau a copy of a letter dated July 20, 1950 and received in the Los Angeles office from Mrs. D. L. Simkins, 1329 Belleview, San Bernardino, California. The letter states that Mrs. Simkins traded a house in Portland, Oregon to Agent Skousen for a home he had owned in Rialto, California, and claimed that Skousen had made misrepresentations regarding his property. It was further stated that she had sold Skousen \$180 worth of furniture for which he had given his note which was over two months overdue. The writer asserted that she had written Agent Skousen more than two weeks previously and had told him that if she didn't hear from him by return mail she would take other steps against him. She related that she had written to Skousen about the condition of the house and he had instructed her to have it put in shape and he would take care of the bill.

Mrs. Simkins stated further that she and her husband are 61 and 63 years old, need their money and would appreciate anything that could be done for them in this matter. She added that she had since traded the house in Rialto, California for one in San Bernardino at the address given in her letter.

AGENT'S EXPLANATION

Agent Skousen, who was transferred from Los Angeles to Portland in January 1948, has submitted a memorandum advising that on March 15, 1950 he traded his home at Rialto, for a duplex belonging to Mrs. Simkins in Portland. According to the Agent his home in California was 3 years old, situated on a half acre of orange trees and had been valued by a bank at \$5,000 while the duplex in Portland is 48 years old and has been valued by a bank at \$3,750. Skousen stated that after he had received news from his father in California that the latter was too ill to manage the Rialto property he entered into the trade transaction with Mrs. Simkins.

Agent Skousen further related that when the Simkins were about to move they told him they had some furniture in the duplex which they could not sell and asked whether he would do them a personal favor by taking it off their hands. Skousen agreed to buy this furniture but told them he had spent all the money he had available for the transaction and that they would have to wait for same until he received some money which would be due him in 60 days. They were happy to do this and departed for California.

He stated that his next contact with them was his receipt of a very abusive letter saying that they had moved into the Rialto home, that it was

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not as clean as they expected, some of the light switches did not work, a faucet kept dripping and the gas fixtures were not as they desired them to be. The letter alleged that because of the above items Agent Skousen had misrepresented the place and asked him to remedy the things to which they objected. Agent Skousen said that he wrote them as friendly a letter as possible and told them that he would pay for the repairs so that the place would be exactly as he told them it was. They next sent him a bill for \$29.00 for materials and \$56.00 for electrical changes they had decided to have made.

Skousen states that the money due him did not come within the 60 days as he had expected so he wrote Mrs. Simkins and advised her of this fact but promised that he would send the money as soon as he received it. The Simkins replied that they didn't trust anyone and that everyone tried to take advantage of old folks and that if Skousen didn't remit by return mail they would take other action to embarrass him. This letter was addressed to him at the "Courthouse Building" and was directed to the county courthouse and received by Agent Skousen 10 days late. In the meantime, Agent Skousen received his expected money and on July 18, 1950 forwarded Mrs. Simkins his check for \$210 which closed his account with her. He paid the electrical contractor directly. Agent Skousen expressed his belief that he had done everything in his power to terminate this transaction on a favorable basis with some very disagreeable people.

SAC Murphy indicated that he felt the transaction had been properly handled by Agent Skousen.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

By letter dated July 31, 1950 SAC Hood advised that an undated post card had been received at the Los Angeles Office from Mrs. D. L. Simkins in which she stated that she had recently received a check from Agent Skousen.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Since Mrs. Simkins has apparently received the money and inasmuch as it does appear that this matter has been properly handled by Agent Skousen, it is recommended that no administrative action be taken against him and that no further action be taken.

A PERMANENT BRIEF OF THE PERSONNEL FILE OF AGENT SKOUSEN IS ATTACHED.

CC: Portland Personnel File

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*Super 8/8/50* *H. J. Edwards*  
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Prepared by: *6/15*  
Checked by: *6/15*  
Filed by:

August 16, 1950

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Mr. Leroy B. Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Skousen:

In connection with the Uniform Promotion Act, I am indeed pleased to advise you that you have been recommended for promotion from \$6600 per annum to \$8800 per annum in Grade GS 12, effective August 20, 1950.

Sincerely yours,

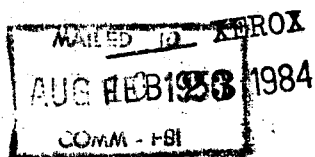
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CC: SAC, Portland (Personal Attention)  
Mr. J. E. Edwards  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
Special Agent  
Portland Office

DATE: August 10, 1950

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RE: UNIFORM PROMOTION

This employee entered on duty as a Clerk, 8-4-41, and was appointed to the position of Special Agent 7-19-43 in Grade CAF-9, \$3200 per annum. He was reallocated to CAF-12, \$6235.20 per annum on 11-4-48 and as the result of a basic increase effective 10-30-49 and a meritorious increase effective 7-9-50, his present salary is \$6400 per annum in GS-12. He is being considered for a Uniform Promotion, it being noted he was first eligible 5-14-50.

By letter dated 5-16-49 he was censured for his mishandling of the case of Rual W. Carlstrom, was., Federal Reserve Act, in which he failed to witness a signed statement which the subject had executed admitting his violation of the Federal Reserve Act. It was pointed out to him that such dereliction was not in keeping with the standards expected of Agents of this Bureau and might have resulted in considerable embarrassment both to him and the Bureau in the event the subject had been prosecuted. It was further pointed out that in the future it would be necessary for him to display greater care in such matters in order to avoid similar shortcomings. Should there be a repetition, further administrative action might become necessary. As a result of the above dereliction he was transferred from Vale, Oregon, to Portland thus effecting his removal as a Resident Agent.

On 5-24-49 his SAC recommended that his transfer be held in abeyance for 90 days in order that the full benefit of his contacts with law enforcement officers and businessmen in that area be fully realized by the Portland Division and the Bureau before his removal from that area. The Bureau approved this recommendation.

On 5-27-49 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he was conscientious, enthusiastic employee, and had devoted a great deal of time to handling the work assigned to him with little regard to the official working hours of the day and frequently putting in additional time to complete the work assigned to him. Improvement had been noted in his dictation, he was rated as very good, with the suggestion being made that further improvement could be achieved through eliminating the necessity for inserts. While at Vale, Oregon, he handled a very heavy case load, he had developed excellent relations with local law enforcement officials and other contacts. He had increased the number of cases in that area to the extent that on occasions it had been necessary to provide a road trip agent in order to bring his work to a current status. A police school recently was completed in the city of Ontario in which excellent police relations were developed. A request had recently been received from the Chief of Police at Nyssa, Oregon, requesting an application for the National Academy as a result of contacts which had been made by him. An increase had been noted in prosecution of

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cases arising in the Vale residency area since the assignment of this agent to that residency. His general contact in the area was reflected in the numerous requests that had been received since his assignment for appearances before civic groups and organizations of Bureau representatives. Talks had been given by him and had impressed the groups as to result in requests for return appearances. During the self-inspection it was noted that in a review of the case of Rual W. Carlstrom, he failed to witness the signed statement obtained from subject and failed to submit the interview log for inclusion in the file although one had been prepared by him at the time of interview. On the basis of his over-all performance, it was felt he was entitled to the rating of Very Good.

On 8-26-49 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he had continued in his work of developing the territory in the extreme east portion of the State of Oregon. His police relations had been excellent, the present candidate for the National Academy had been developed through his efforts at the City of Nyssa, Oregon, and another application received from the Sheriff of Malheur County located at Vale, Oregon. It was contemplated additional schooling would be handled during the fall in this resident agency area as a result of his police work. His reports were well written, requiring very little supervision. He had handled his own investigations in a logical manner. He was a conscientious employee and gauged his work by the amount of work to be handled and not by working hours. He had shown a substantial volume of production and assumed responsibility, carrying it out with but a minimum of supervision. He maintained his work in a current status. His assignments had been in all types of cases arising in a resident agency, which included general criminal and personnel types of investigations. He was continuing to develop and had conducted a well-rounded program of handling his police relations and his work in over-all public relations of a resident agent in a most commendable manner. He had not indicated more than average administrative or supervisory ability.

By a separate communication SAC Fletcher said in view of his excellent results from a public relations standpoint as well as the handling of his investigative assignments, it was recommended that he be retained as a Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon. In view of a scheduled inspection of the Portland Office the Inspector was instructed to carefully check the work of this Agent and to submit his recommendation commenting specifically concerning the desirability of continuing or removing this agent from his residency.

During an Inspection of the Portland Office in November, 1949, SAC Fletcher said he was mature, had handled all types of investigations and was now Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon. His reports were well written, requiring less than average supervision. His relationships with police and the public was worthy of favorable comment. He was an experienced Agent and his work required very little supervision. He appeared to be physically fit and was available for special or general assignment. He was an Agent with an added "push and go" that had shown substantial results in his handling of a resident agency assignment; Status: Excellent. Inspector Naughten said he

was an above average agent who apparently had earned an excellent rating, he had worked hard and produced results of value in his Resident Agency area. He had apparently profited from the criticism previously directed at him. Inspector Naughten felt that the Bureau's instructions of 5-16-49 transferring him from Vale to Portland was sufficiently strong as administrative action, and that a transfer from the Division was not warranted. Therefore, it was recommended that the previous transfer instructions stand.

On 1-22-50 he was transferred from Vale to Portland, Oregon.

On 3-31-50 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said in May, 1949, he was censured for his failure to witness a signed statement which he had taken from the subject in the case entitled "Rual W. Carlstrom, Federal Reserve Act". He organized and initiated his work in good order, showing a very substantial volume of production. His investigative work required less than average supervision for an agent of his grade and experience. He had not indicated above-average administrative or executive ability.

On 5-4-50 he was considered for a Uniform Promotion; however, in view of the administrative action taken against him in May, 1949, he was passed over to be reconsidered at a later date.

In a teletype dated 6-16-50 the Director advised him that he was recommending him for a \$200 meritorious increase in salary in Grade GS-12 from \$6400 per annum to \$6600 per annum, in view of his extraordinary performance of duty in the Bank Robbery Case involving Wayne Leroy Long. He further advised that the heroic and alert manner in which he (Skousen) handled himself in this most precarious situation deserved the highest commendation.

On 7-19-50 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he presented a satisfactory personal appearance, always presented a neat, well-groomed appearance, and appeared to have the necessary amount of resourcefulness and aggressiveness. He was rated as excellent in his dictation; was qualified to operate on dangerous assignments - he recently participated in the apprehension of Wayne Leroy Long, a bank robber, and his efforts were largely responsible for the wounding and apprehension of this subject; he had operated successfully on a physical surveillance; was well qualified in the handling of Bureau firearms; his reports and other paper work were usually in good order, although it was necessary to return one Loyalty of Government Employees report to him during the period of this report for correction of a number of errors of a minor nature which were detected before the report was signed; he had good ability to contact law enforcement officials and others; appeared to be able to organize and initiate his work and investigations in a satisfactory manner with a minimum of supervision; and was available for special and general assignment.

By memo dated 8-4-50 to Mr. Glavin, Mr. Edwards advised that SAC Hood had forwarded to the Bureau a copy of a letter dated 7-20-50 and received in the Los Angeles office from Mrs. D. L. Simkins, 1329 Bellevue, San Bernardino,



California. The letter stated that Mrs. Simkins traded a house in Portland, Oregon, to Agent Skousen for a home he had owned in Rialto, California, and claimed that Skousen had made misrepresentations regarding his property. It was further stated that she had sold Skousen \$180 worth of furniture for which he had given his note which was over two months overdue. The writer asserted that she had written Agent Skousen more than two weeks previously and had told him that if she didn't hear from him by return mail she would take other steps against him. She related that she had written to Skousen about the condition of the house and he had instructed her to have it put in shape and he would take care of the bill. It was ascertained that this woman had been paid in full and that Agent Skousen had not handled the matter improperly and no administrative action was taken against him.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended he be afforded a \$200 increase in salary under the provision of the Uniform Promotion Act to \$6800 per annum in Grade GS-12, effective 8-20-50.

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## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.STANDARD FORM 50  
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CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 1946FORM APPROVED  
BUDGET BUREAU NO. 50-1004

## NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (MR. - MISS - MRS. - FIRST - MIDDLE INITIAL - LAST) <b>MR. LEROY B. SKOUSEN</b>		2. DATE OF BIRTH <b>5-27-17</b>	3. JOURNAL OR ACTION No. <b>F. B. I. 1943</b> <b>1943</b>	4. DATE <b>8-16-50</b>
This is to notify you of the following action affecting your employment:				
5. NATURE OF ACTION (USE STANDARD TERMINOLOGY) <b>PERIODIC STEP INCREASE</b>		6. EFFECTIVE DATE <b>8-30-50</b>	7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY	
FROM <b>Special Agent</b> <b>GS 12</b> <b>\$6600 per annum</b>		TO <b>same</b> <b>\$6800 per annum</b>		
8. POSITION TITLE		9. SERVICE, GRADE, SALARY		
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19. DATE OF OATH (ACCESSIONS ONLY)		20. LEGAL RESIDENCE		
REMARKS <p><b>From. under the Auto. Prom. Bill, Public Law 780 as amended 6-30-45. Prom. from CAF 11 \$5232 to CAF 12 \$6600 eff. 11-14-48. Meritorious promotion to CAF 12 \$6600 eff. 7-9-50. Last efficiency rating - VERY GOOD - Approved Rating Committee 4-25-50.</b></p> <p><b>FEB 23 1984</b></p> <p><b>67 AUG 28 1950</b></p> <p><b>Jul 1958</b></p> <p><b>SIGNATURE OR OTHER AUTHENTICATION</b></p>				

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Prepared by *[Signature]*  
Checked by *[Signature]*  
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## NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (MR. - MISS - MRS. - FIRST - MIDDLE INITIAL - LAST) <b>MR. LEROX B. SKOUSEN</b>		2. DATE OF BIRTH <b>9-27-17</b>	3. JOURNAL OR ACTION NO. <b>F. B. I. 741</b>	4. DATE <b>7-7-50</b>
This is to notify you of the following action affecting your employment:				
5. NATURE OF ACTION (USE STANDARD TERMINOLOGY) <b>SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT STEP INCREASE</b>		6. EFFECTIVE DATE <b>7-9-50</b>	7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY	
FROM <b>Special Agent GS 12 \$6400 per annum</b>		TO <b>GS 13 \$6600 per annum</b>		
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15. SEX <b>M</b>	16. RACE <b>W</b>	17. APPROPRIATION S. & E., FBI FROM: <b>XXXXX</b> TO: <b>XXXXX</b>		18. SUBJECT TO C. S. RETIREMENT ACT (YES-NO) <b>yes</b>
19. DATE OF OATH (ACCESSIONS ONLY)		20. LEGAL RESIDENCE <b>California Huntington</b>		
<p>REMARKS</p> <p><b>Promotion for superior accomplishment under the Federal Employees Pay Act of 7-1-45. This award for superior accomplishment is in view of extraordinary performance of duty under fire resulting in the apprehension of a bank robber. Prom. from CAF 12 \$5930 to CAF 13 \$6435.25 eff. 11-14-48. Last efficiency rating - VERY GOOD - Approved Rating Committee 4-25-50.</b></p> <p><b>Attachment: Justification for Civil Service Commission</b></p> <p><b>XEROX</b> <b>FEB 23 1984</b></p> <p><b>SIGNATURE OR OTHER AUTHENTICATION</b> <i>[Signature]</i></p>				

Prepared by: *RL*  
Checked by: *els*  
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From: Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: Superior Accomplishment Award, Section 403  
Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945

Name: Leroy B. Skousen

Position title: Special Agent

Grade: GS 12 Salary: \$6400 per annum

Last salary increase: From \$5232 in  
CAF 11 to \$6235.20 in CAF 12

Date: 11-14-48 Amount: \$1003.20 per annum

The above employee is being afforded an award for superior accomplishment from \$6400 per annum to \$6600 per annum in view of his outstanding services recently rendered in the apprehension of a bank robber at the scene of his crime.

On June 14, 1950 Wayne Leroy Long, an inmate of the Oregon State Penitentiary, was released after serving his full term of sentence for the crime of assault with intent to rob, the original sentence being for the term of eight years. Long was considered by Oregon State Penitentiary officials to be a cool, cold-hearted and dangerous criminal. He was an associate of a badly wanted fugitive, [redacted] for whom the FBI has conducted extensive investigation looking toward his apprehension. Acting upon information received that Long was expecting to contact [redacted] following his release from prison, the FBI placed a discreet surveillance upon Long for the purpose of observing his movements in order to determine if he would make contact with [redacted]. This surveillance was carried on throughout the afternoon of June 14th, through the night of June 14th and into the morning hours of June 15, 1950. At approximately 10:00 A. M. on the morning of June 15, 1950 Long was surveilled into the First National Bank of Portland, Oregon and it was observed he had in his possession a large paper sack. The surveilling Agents took up positions outside of the bank in order to observe his activities as he left. There was no indication whatsoever that he was engaged in any criminal activity at that time. Suddenly Long emerged from the bank carrying a Reising sub-machine gun and from cries coming from within the bank it was apparent that he had just staged a hold-up. Special Agent Skousen was in a position approximately 100 yards from the doorway of the bank as Long opened up with his sub-machine gun and commenced indiscriminate firing in order to effect his escape. He succeeded in wounding Special Agent Leonard Frank who turned his escape route in the general direction of the position occupied by Special Agent Skousen. Agent Skousen was presented with a difficult situation in that the shooting was occurring on a crowded street during the rush hours of the morning and there were numerous innocent bystanders and passersby in the vicinity. The subject Long was bent on making good his escape and accordingly he was firing his weapon in a haphazard fashion so as to clear

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the path ahead of him. He had no regard for the lives of others. Agent Skousen realized that injury might result to innocent persons by virtue of a wild shot and therefore withheld his fire until he had a clear opportunity to shoot Long without endangering others. At this juncture the subject was approximately 100 yards from Agent Skousen, who was able to wound Long with a shot in the right arm that traveled up through his neck and immediately felled him. Long was thereafter taken into custody.

It is considered that Agent Skousen acted in a highly commendable fashion in realizing the importance, under such crucial circumstances, of protecting the lives of innocent bystanders by withholding his fire until the opportunity presented itself of making sure that his firing did not endanger the lives of others but did bring the subject down. This called for calm and collected thinking under trying circumstances. In addition it is pointed out that he was firing with a .38 caliber service revolver at a man who was returning fire with a .45 caliber sub-machine gun. In spite of this handicap and in spite of the great distance that the shot traveled he was successful in bringing the subject into custody by his exceptional showing of good judgement, cool efficiency and excellent marksmanship. It is considered he fully warrants the promotion recommended.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: Sept. 15, 1950

FROM : SAC, Portland

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

I have been advised that a baby daughter, weight  $8\frac{1}{2}$  pounds, was born to Special Agent and Mrs. Skousen on [REDACTED] She has just been named [REDACTED] I am advised that the proud parents and the new daughter are all doing nicely.

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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.



Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Chief Clerk of the FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name ~~Hervey~~ Helen L. Skousen Relationship Wife Date 9-29-50  
Address 1640 S. P. 88th Portland Oregon

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in line of duty.

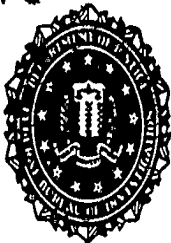
Name Helen L. Skousen Relationship Wife Date 9-29-50  
Address 1640 S. P. 88th Portland Oregon 35

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Very truly yours,

Leroy B. Skousen  
Special Agent



United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.



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Address 1640 S. E. 88th Portland Oregon

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Name Helen L. Skousen Relationship Wife Date 2-1-51  
Address 1640 S. E. 88th Portland Oregon

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Very truly yours,

Henry B. Skousen  
Special Agent



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

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## REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

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Name of Employee: LEROY B. SKOUSEN 823090

*Training Dir.  
(see narr. comment)*

Where Assigned: Portland Division  
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Payroll Title: Special Agent

Rating Period: from April 1, 1950 to March 31, 1951

ADJECTIVE RATING: Satisfactory  
Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

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Rated by: R. L. Murphy Special Agent in Charge March 31, 1951  
Signature Title Date

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Title Date

Rating approved by: W. R. Glavin Assistant Director APR 10 1951  
Signature Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

(X) Official

(X) Annual

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Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION. UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

# PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee LEROY B. SKOUSEN Title Special Agent  
 Rating Period: from 4/1/50 to 3/31/51

## RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared.  
 Rate items as follows:

- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving special commendation).  
✓ Satisfactory (ranging from good to excellent but not sufficient to rate outstanding).  
- Unsatisfactory.  
○ No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

An 'Outstanding' rating cannot be justified unless all elements rated are 'plus', and in addition, of course, supporting comments must comply with the requirements as set out below.

So far as 'Satisfactory' and 'Unsatisfactory' ratings are concerned, it is impossible to provide a mechanical formula for computing the various 'plus', 'check', and 'minus' marks because such would presume equal weight for all elements rated. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that the adjective rating is reasonable in the light of the elements rated. All minus marks must be supported by narrative detail, and of course, all 'Unsatisfactory' ratings must comply with the requirements as set out below.

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| <u>✓</u> (1) Personal appearance.  | <u>+</u> (17) Firearms ability.  |
| <u>✓</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.   | <u>✓</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information.  |
| <u>+</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).   | <u>✓</u> (19) Reporting ability:<br><u>✓</u> (a) Investigative reports<br><u>✓</u> (b) Summary reports<br><u>✓</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires<br>(Consider: <u>   </u> conciseness; <u>   </u> clarity; <u>   </u> organization;<br><u>   </u> thoroughness; <u>   </u> accuracy; <u>   </u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>   </u> administrative detail.)   |
| <u>+</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).   | <u>✓</u> (20) Performance as a witness.  |
| <u>✓</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.  | <u>○</u> (21) Executive ability:<br><u>   </u> (a) Leadership<br><u>   </u> (b) Ability to handle personnel<br><u>   </u> (c) Planning<br><u>   </u> (d) Making decisions<br><u>   </u> (e) Assignment of work<br><u>   </u> (f) Training subordinates<br><u>   </u> (g) Devising procedures<br><u>   </u> (h) Emotional stability<br><u>   </u> (i) Promoting high morale<br><u>   </u> (j) Getting results |
| <u>✓</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.  | <u>+</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:<br><u>   </u> (a) As leader<br><u>+</u> (b) As participant   |
| <u>✓</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions; ability to define objectives.  | <u>+</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.  |
| <u>✓</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.  | <u>+</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure.  |
| <u>✓</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.   | <u>   </u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:<br><u>✓</u> <u>Administrative ability</u>   |
| <u>✓</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.  |  |
| <u>+</u> (11) Industry, including energetic consistent application to duties.  |  |
| <u>+</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.  |  |
| <u>✓</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and 'know how' of application.  |  |
| <u>○</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills.  |  |
| <u>✓</u> (15) Investigative ability and results:<br><u>✓</u> (a) Internal security cases<br><u>✓</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases<br><u>✓</u> (c) Fugitive cases<br><u>✓</u> (d) Applicant cases<br><u>○</u> (e) Accounting cases |  |
| <u>✓</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability.   |  |

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): General criminal work, applicants, and some security matter cases.

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Investigator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)  
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)

D. Has employee had any abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No (If so, explain in narrative comments.)

ADJECTIVE RATING : Satisfactory

Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT  
AGE: 33  
SALARY: \$6800

SA SKOUSEN presents a satisfactory personal appearance, is aggressive, and an experienced Agent.

He is rated as excellent in his dictation ability by five stenographers of this office and very good by one, the only comment being that he could dictate more evenly. This has been discussed with him, and he advises me that he will rectify this matter.

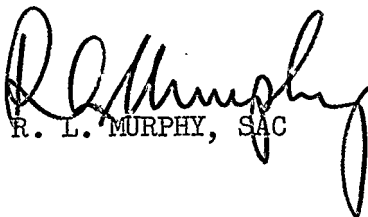
He appears to have good ability to handle any investigative matter, including the more complicated types of cases. During the period of this report he has handled general criminal investigative work, applicant cases, and some security matter cases, and he participated in the apprehension of WAYNE LEROY LONG, a bank robber, his efforts being largely responsible for the wounding and apprehension of this subject. He was commended by the Bureau for his performance in connection with this case and likewise received a meritorious promotion.

He has no physical condition which would prevent him from performing duties involving arduous physical exertion and participation in raids and dangerous assignments involving the use of firearms or defensive tactics. He types, using the touch system, but does not take shorthand. He is a satisfactory automobile driver.

No disciplinary action has been necessary against this employee during the rating period. He is a willing worker and has handled work in the headquarters city and on a considerable number of road trips. His volume of production is unusually high, and he is willing to accept responsibility and to discharge it with a minimum of supervision.

He has excellent ability in the use of firearms and I feel has shown a considerable amount of administrative ability in view of the dispatch with which he handles a large volume of cases. He is a qualified Bureau speaker but has not been used on such assignments during the period of this report. He is anxious to receive such assignments in the future and is also desirous of receiving training as a police instructor when the Bureau conducts additional schools for this purpose.

SA SKOUSEN is one of the better qualified Agents in his grade assigned to this office and I feel is entitled to a rating in the upper limits of Satisfactory for Grade GS-12.

  
R. L. MURPHY, SAC

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September 21, 1950

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Mr. Leroy B. Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Skousen:

I have been informed  
of the arrival of your little  
daughter, [redacted] and I  
want to be among your many  
friends to extend my sincere  
congratulations to Mrs. Skousen  
and you on this happy occasion.

It is my wish that  
her future will be filled with  
an abundance of joy and happi-  
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Sincerely,  
J. Edgar Hoover

CC: SAC, Portland (P&C)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, PORTLAND  
SUBJECT: SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
IN-SERVICE

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DATE: June 18, 1951

Remytel June 18, 1951, advising that SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN will be unable to attend In-Service commencing on June 25, 1951, as his wife is in the hospital for emergency treatment.

For the Bureau's information, SA SKOUSEN advises me that they were expecting their fifth child, and he has now been advised that due to some difficulty it will be impossible for Mrs. SKOUSEN to deliver this child and that a Caesarean sectional will be necessary to remove the fetus. In view of the above SA SKOUSEN will not report for In-Service training on June 25.

I will communicate with the Bureau as soon as Mrs. SKOUSEN is out of danger in order that SA SKOUSEN may again be listed for attendance at In-Service.

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SKOUSEN, MR. L. *Evoy* (S.A.)

Recom. to Drs. Joseph Kennedy, removal of wart on request.

Headache, and upset stomach.

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LEROY B. SKOUSEN

SPECIAL AGENT

EOD: July 19, 1943

GRADE: GS-12

SALARY: \$6800

OFFICE OF PREFERENCE: 1. Los Angeles 2. --

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EXAMINATION: SET NO. 2

GRADE: 100

DICTION ABILITY: Very Good

SAC MURPHY: SA SKOUSEN presents a satisfactory personal appearance and is an aggressive, experienced Agent. He appears to have good ability to handle any investigative matter, including the more complicated types of cases. He has worked in the headquarters city and as a relief road trip Agent. He is a fast worker and handles a substantial volume of work. During June 1950 he participated in the apprehension of WAYNE LEROY LONG, a bank robber, and his efforts were largely responsible for the wounding and apprehension of this subject. He was commended by the Bureau for his efforts in this case and received a meritorious promotion. He is in good physical condition and is available for general or special assignment. He has a large family and his office of preference is Portland. He is a qualified Bureau speaker but has not been used on such assignments during the past year. He is anxious to receive such assignments in the future and to receive training as a police instructor when the Bureau conducts additional schools for this purpose. / 1A

STATUS: Upper limits of Satisfactory.

INSPECTOR LONG: SA SKOUSEN is extremely interested in receiving speaking assignments and would like to be considered for such assignments in the future. He has been qualified as a speaker in the past. He appears to be enthusiastic and interested in the Bureau's work, particularly in police training. He has four children and another is expected in August 1951. He is interested in training and speaking work of all types, and should be borne in mind for police instructor's training and possibly assignment to the Training and Inspection Division. / 1A

Inspection Report

Inspector H. B. Long

Portland Office

Interviewed by: W. N. Provinse

Date: May 12, 1951



# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: June 21, 1951

FROM : SAC, Portland

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

This is to advise that a son named Timothy James was born to SA and Mrs. Skousen at 6 p.m. on June 18, 1951 and expired at 11:30 p.m. on the same date. I am advised that the child was premature and that so far Mrs. Skousen is making satisfactory progress.

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June 29, 1951

Mr. LeRoy B. Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Skousen:

I have just been informed of your great  
loss and I wanted to write this note to let you  
know that my thoughts are with Mrs. Skousen and  
you in understanding sympathy at this time.

Sincerely,  
J. Edgar Hoover

cc: SAC, Portland (P&C)

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August 4, 1961

Mr. Leroy E. Stinson  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

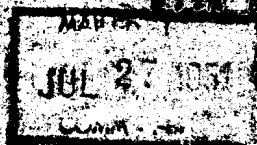
Dear Mr. Stinson:

The completion of ten years of loyal and faithful service is indeed an occasion for special recognition. I wish to extend my heartiest congratulations on your anniversary which you celebrate today and present the enclosed ten-year service award key.

It has been a constant source of reassurance to me to observe the splendid attitude and steadfast loyalty with which our seasoned employees like you have responded to each new challenge faced by our organization. During your years of service in the Bureau there were numerous instances when the Bureau faced tremendous obstacles in the successful discharge of its responsibilities. These "handicaps" were overcome only by the patient, persistent, and conscientious application of our employees to the tasks at hand. I want you to know how appreciative I am of the example you have set in this regard.

As we face the expanding responsibilities of this Bureau, I trust we will continue to receive your unflinching assistance.

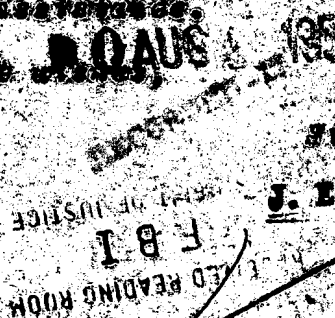
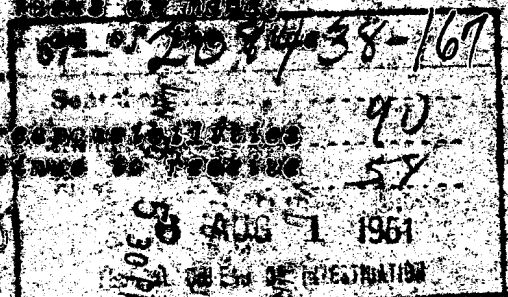
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J. Edgar Hoover



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cc - SAC, Portland



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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: 1) LEROY B. SKOUSEN

Where Assigned: Portland Division  
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Payroll Title: Special Agent

Rating Period: from April 1, 1951 to September 15, 1951

ADJECTIVE RATING: SATISFACTORY  
Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

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Rated by: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge 9/12/51  
Signature R. L. MURPHY Title Date

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Title Date

Rating approved by: [Signature] \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

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## NARRATIVE COMMENTS

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# PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee LEROY B. SKOUSENTitle Special AgentRating Period: from 4/1/51 to 9/15/51

## RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

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| <u>+</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).  | <u>✓</u> (a) Investigative reports  |
| <u>✓</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.   | <u>✓</u> (b) Summary reports  |
| <u>✓</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.   | <u>✓</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires  |
| <u>✓</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions; ability to define objectives.   | (Consider: <u>   </u> conciseness; <u>   </u> clarity; <u>   </u> organization; <u>   </u> thoroughness; <u>   </u> accuracy; <u>   </u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>   </u> administrative detail.) |
| <u>✓</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.   | <u>✓</u> (20) Performance as a witness.   |
| <u>✓</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.  | <u>0</u> (21) Executive ability:  |
| <u>✓</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.   | <u>   </u> (a) Leadership   |
| <u>✓</u> (11) Industry, including energetic consistent application to duties.   | <u>   </u> (b) Ability to handle personnel  |
| <u>✓</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. | <u>   </u> (c) Planning   |
| <u>✓</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and 'know how' of application.   | <u>   </u> (d) Making decisions   |
| <u>0</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills.   | <u>   </u> (e) Assignment of work   |
| <u>✓</u> (15) Investigative ability and results:  | <u>   </u> (f) Training subordinates  |
| <u>✓</u> (a) Internal security cases  | <u>   </u> (g) Devising procedures  |
| <u>✓</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases  | <u>   </u> (h) Emotional stability  |
| <u>✓</u> (c) Fugitive cases   | <u>   </u> (i) Promoting high morale  |
| <u>✓</u> (d) Applicant cases  | <u>   </u> (j) Getting results  |
| <u>✓</u> (e) Accounting cases   | <u>+</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:   |
| <u>✓</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability.  | <u>0</u> (a) As leader  |
|   | <u>+</u> (b) As participant   |
|   | <u>+</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.   |
|   | <u>✓</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure.   |
|   | <u>   </u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:  |
|   | <u>✓</u> <u>Administrative ability</u>  |

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): General criminal work, applicants, and security matter cases.

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Investigator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)  
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)

D. Has employee had any abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No (If so, explain in narrative comments.)

ADJECTIVE RATING :

SATISFACTORY

Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

LERoy B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT, GS-12  
SALARY: \$6,800

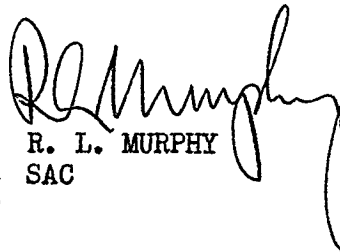
This is a special report of performance rating submitted for SA SKOUSEN in view of my transfer to the Milwaukee Division.

SA SKOUSEN presents a satisfactory personal appearance and has adequate qualities of initiative, resourcefulness, force, and aggressiveness. He appears to have good ability to handle the more complicated types of investigative cases. His physical condition is satisfactory, and he has no defects which would prevent him from completely performing duties involving arduous physical exertion or participation in raids and dangerous assignments involving the use of firearms or defensive tactics. No disciplinary action has been necessary against this employee during the rating period.

During the recheck inspection of the Portland Office in September, 1951, SA SKOUSEN received a case write-up as he failed to designate a copy of a pertinent report to the U. S. Attorney.

SA SKOUSEN has been assigned primarily to general investigative and applicant type cases during this rating period, but recently since his return from In-Service and annual leave he has been assigned to security type work. He is an experienced agent and usually handles a substantial volume of work. It has been necessary to follow him some as some of his work is in a delinquent status. He has been absent a considerable period of time during the rating period due to attendance at In-Service, annual leave, and emergency annual leave due to illness in his family. I feel that generally his performance is satisfactory.

Rating: SATISFACTORY.

  
R. L. MURPHY  
SAC

RLM:plb

LB S.  
Initials

August 23, 1951

SAC, Portland

RE: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
 SPECIAL AGENT  
 General In-Service Course 8/6 to 8/13/51

Dear Sir:

The above-named Special Agent attended the above General In-Service Training Course at the Seat of Government and attained the following grades:

Notebook	VG
Examination	98 3/4
Double Action Course	98
Practical Pistol Course	94
Shotgun (Skeet)	15
.30 Rifle	80
Machine Gun	94

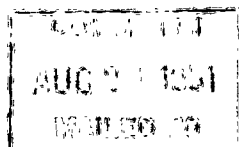
The firearms grades with the exception of the Shotgun Skeet Course should be entered on the individual field firearms training record.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*  
 John Edgar Hoover  
 Director

cc: SA Leroy B. Skousen  
 Portland

HLS:hcd



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 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_



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(1-1-50)

HISTORY OF ILLNESS OR INJURY Usual shots. Left arm broken, 1932. Broken left ring finger-1940. Appendectomy, 1948. Tonsillectomy, 1941. Pneumonia, 1919. Gash, left leg, 1933.

EYES: PUPILS (size, shape, reaction to light and distance, etc.) neg.

LT. 20/10 , corrected to 20/

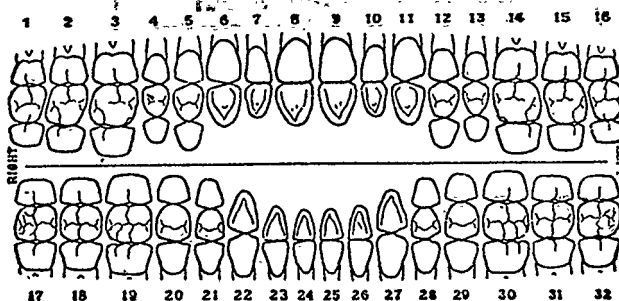
DISEASE OR ANATOMICAL DEFECTS neg.

DISEASE OR DEFECTS neg.

(Disease or anatomical defect, obstruction, etc. State degree)

TONGUE, PALATE, PHARYNX, LARYNX, TONSILS neg.

REMARKS:



(Signature of Dental Officer)

NECK (abnormalities, thyroid gland, trachea, larynx) neg.

SPINE AND EXTREMITIES (bones, joints, muscles, feet) neg.

SPINE AND EXTREMITIES (bones, joints, muscles, feet)  
 Distal spine 9/29/57, 14 x 17 chest x-ray  
 report unremarkable, distal spine 9 med. cert. rd.  
 10:00 am 10/1/57

THORAX (size, shape, movement, rib cage, mediastinum) Rt post thoracectomy scar.

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM, BRONCHI, LUNGS, PLEURA, ETC. neg.

CARDIO-VASCULAR SYSTEM neg.

HEART (note all signs of cardiac involvement) neg.

PULSE: BEFORE EXERCISE 60  
AFTER EXERCISE 84  
THREE MINUTES AFTER 60

BLOOD PRESSURE: SYSTOLIC 108  
DIASTOLIC 62

CONDITION OF ARTERIES neg.  
CONDITION OF VEINS neg.

CHARACTER OF PULSE neg.  
HEMORRHOIDS neg.

ABDOMEN AND PELVIS (condition of wall, scars, herniae, abnormality of viscera) neg.  
(Appendectomy scar)

GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM neg.

URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.0303 ALB. pos. 10mg % SUGAR neg. MICROSCOPICAL osc.

VENEREAL DISEASE Denies squamous.

NERVOUS SYSTEM neg.

(organic or functional disorders)

ROMBERG neg. INCOORDINATION (gait, speech) None  
REFLEXES, SUPERFICIAL N DEEP (knee, ankle, elbow) N TREMORS No

SEROLOGICAL TESTS Kahn neg. BLOOD TYPE

ABNORMAL PSYCHE (neurasthenia, psychasthenia, depression, instability, worries) None apparent

SMALLPOX VACCINATION: DATE OF LAST VACCINATION 1947

TYPHOID PROPHYLAXIS: NUMBER OF COURSES 1947 all taken

DATE OF LAST COURSE 1947

REMARKS ON ABNORMALITIES NOT OTHERWISE NOTED OR SUFFICIENTLY DESCRIBED ABOVE

SUMMARY OF DEFECTS NSA to PE

CAPABLE OF PERFORMING DUTIES INVOLVING PHYSICAL EXERTION

IS THIS INDIVIDUAL PHYSICALLY FIT TO PARTICIPATE IN RAIDS AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS WHICH MIGHT ENTAIL THE PRACTICAL USE OF FIREARMS (yes or no)  
(when no is given state cause)

FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMARKS (as per boards, when necessary)

That a 14 x 17 chest film be taken

Repeat urinalysis

DATE OF EXAMINATION 8/14/51

EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS

s/R.J. McCarthy

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November 5, 1951

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

SAC, Portland

Re: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
Special Agent

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of your letter of October 27, 1951, enclosing the results of a repeat urinalysis and chest x-ray, and the results of a color test afforded the above Agent at the United States Public Health Service together with the doctor's certification regarding Agent Skousen's fitness for duty.

Inasmuch as the above examinations were all negative and Dr. Craig felt that Agent Skousen was capable of performing strenuous duties, he is being considered physically fit to participate in strenuous physical exertion including defensive tactics and the practical use of firearms.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

HLE: jlr

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

AMSD

DATE: October 27, 1951

FROM : SAC, Portland

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Rebuletts September 29, 1951 and October 23, 1951.

SA SKOUSEN secured the requested physical examination at the local office of the U. S. Public Health Service and from Dr. C. Todd Jessell. There are enclosed herewith a letter from A. T. Morrison, Senior Surgeon, Medical Officer in Charge, USPHS, and a letter and attachment from C. Todd Jessell, M.D., together with Attachment to Standard Form 88 signed by Lee A. Craig, M.D., USPHS. 170

The enclosed forms certify SA SKOUSEN as qualified for strenuous physical exertion.

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JBP:kmb

Enclosures



IN REPLYING, ADDRESS THE  
Medical Officer In Charge

FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY  
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE  
U.S.P.H.S. OUTPATIENT CLINIC  
215 U. S. Court House  
Portland, 5, Oregon

October 23, 1951

Special Agent In Charge  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Court House  
Portland, Oregon

Re: Leroy B. Skousen

Dear Sir:

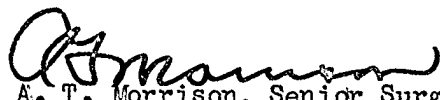
Enclosed are the reports requested in your letter of October 12, 1951.

Agent Skousen states he had pneumonia at the age of two years, requiring surgical drainage. All chest x-rays since then have been negative. This history accounts for the findings as reported by the radiologist in the enclosed report of the chest x-ray.

The findings noted on the enclosed urinalysis report are within normal limits.

He missed eight plates in the Loose Leaf Edition of Pseudo-Isochromatic Plates. An error of four plates or less is considered as being normal. On examination with the Williams Lantern, his only error was an inconstant response calling white as green. This occurred only with white of low intensity. The bright white he called correctly. Our instructions for the Williams Lantern test call for the rejection of persons calling white as green. These findings are interpreted as a mild defect of color perception.

Very truly yours,

  
A. T. Morrison, Senior Surgeon  
Medical Officer In Charge, USPHS

LAC/mb  
Encl.

*Notes*

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*[Handwritten signature]*

No. 2546

Oct. 16, 1951

C. TODD JESSELL, M. D.

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

PRACTICE LIMITED TO RADIOLOGY

1123 S. W. YAMHILL STREET

PORTLAND 5, OREGON

Skousen, LeRoy  
P.A. Chest

There is some pleural thickening over the peripheral portion of the right lower lung field. There is also a synostosis between the posterior segments of the ninth and tenth ribs on this side, no doubt secondary to the surgery this patient had in early life. The lung fields are otherwise clear and there is no evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic disease of the lungs, mediastinum or pleura aside from the described pleural thickening. The cardiovascular shadow is normal.

Thank you very much for referring Mr. Skousen to me for examination.

C. Todd Jessell, M.D.  
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C. Todd Jessell, M.D.

To: Lee A. Craig, M.D.

*Noted*

*Lee A. Craig*

SKOUSEN, Leroy B.

Urinalysis: October 15, 1951

Color - Appearance:	Amber, clear.
Reaction:	Acid
Specific Gravity:	1.024
Albumin:	Negative
Sugar:	Negative
Microscopic:	Occasional WBC per h.p.f. Few epithelial cells. Many mucous threads.

*WBC*

*WBC*

ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88  
(Revised August, 1950)

Report of Medical Examination

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER:

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

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3	65
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14	68
17	69
48 (unless other examination in- dicates desirable)	71
49	72

Chest x-ray not necessary in absence of symptoms, unless examination being conducted at public health facility where chest x-ray is available.

FOR ALL APPLICANTS, WHETHER FOR CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT POSITIONS:

Medical examiner should answer following question:

Applicant (examinee) VS quali-  
is, ~~is not~~

fied for strenuous physical exertion. (Designate which)

FOR ALL MALE APPLICANTS:

Medical examiner is requested to answer following:

Does applicant (examinee) have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms:

No,

If answer is "yes" please specify.

R. A. [Signature]  
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

OCT 19 1951

(Date)

*Noted*

*[Handwritten initials]*



SAC, Portland

October 23, 1951

Director, FBI

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

LEROY BENJAMIN SKOUSEN  
Special Agent

ReBulet 9/29/51. The Bureau has not yet been advised as to what arrangements have been made for Agent Skousen to undergo a repeat urinalysis, a 14 x 17 chest x-ray and an eye examination, and to obtain a medical certificate stating the degree of exertion he is capable of performing.

This should be given your immediate attention and the Bureau promptly advised.

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LEROY B. SKOUSEN

SPECIAL AGENT

EOD: August 4, 1941

GRADE: GS-12

SALARY: \$6800

SAC MURPHY: SA SKOUSEN presents a satisfactory personal appearance and is an experienced Agent. He is aggressive and appears to have good ability to handle the more complicated types of investigative matters. He has worked in the headquarters city and as a relief road trip Agent. His volume of work is substantial. He is in good physical condition and is available for general or special assignment. He has a large family, and his office of preference is Portland. His file shows that he is a qualified Bureau speaker, but he has not been used on such assignments during the past year. SA SKOUSEN completed ten years of service as an Agent on August 4, 1951. During the recheck inspection of the Portland Office in September 1951 SA SKOUSEN was the recipient of a case write-up because he failed to furnish a copy of a report to the U. S. Attorney.

Rating: Satisfactory.

Inspector LONG: In the VIRGIL HOWARD ARCHER, UFAP case, Portland File 88-658, this Agent submitted an investigative report but failed to designate a copy for the United States Attorney at Portland which he should have done.

Recommendation: No action.

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Recheck Inspection Report  
Inspector H. B. Long  
Portland Office  
September 6, 1951

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VIRGIL HOWARD ARCHER, wa

Virgil Carlson; [REDACTED]

was, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION -  
KIDNAPING

(Portland file number [REDACTED])

(Bureau file number [REDACTED])

Inspector LONG: This pending case has been assigned to  
SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN since May 31, 1951, and  
it is supervised by SAC R. L. MURPHY.  
Memphis is Office of Origin.

The report of SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN, dated  
June 5, 1951 at Portland, reflects the  
apprehension of subjects in Portland based on  
information received by teletype from Memphis  
that federal complaints had been filed in  
Memphis. No copies of this report were  
designated for the U. S. Attorney at Portland.

Comments of SA SKOUSEN and SAC MURPHY are requested  
concerning the failure to designate copies for  
the U. S. Attorney at Portland.

SA SKOUSEN: The writer has no excuse for the above indicated  
error. In the future strenuous efforts will be  
exercised to see that such errors do not re-occur.

SAC MURPHY: It does not appear that there is any logical excuse  
for failing to furnish the U. S. Attorney at Portland  
a copy of this report. Apparently I overlooked this  
in signing SA SKOUSEN's report. It is regretted  
that this happened.

Recheck Inspection Report  
Portland Office  
Inspector R. B. LONG  
September 4, 1951

September 29, 1951

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

SAC, Portland

Re: LEROY BENTLEY SKOUSEN  
Special Agent

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded Agent Skousen at the United States Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland, on August 14, 1951.

The examining physician made no certification regarding Agent Skousen's fitness for duty pending the results of a 14 x 17 chest x-ray and a repeat urinalysis. Agent Skousen may wish to have these examinations at the Public Health Service or any other facility where the same may be afforded on a courtesy basis. Any expense which might be incurred in this connection would have to be borne by the Agent.

It is desired that you submit the results of these examinations together with a statement from the medical examiner stating what degree of exertion Mr. Skousen is capable of performing as soon as possible so that final determination may be made regarding his fitness for duty.

It is also desired that Agent Skousen have an eye examination to determine the exact extent of his color vision deficiency.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

HLE:mfc

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 29, 1952

FROM : SAC, Portland

SUBJECT: SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
ACCIDENT JANUARY 27, 1952  
RESULTING IN THE DEATH OF  
MRS. BERTHA MANDY~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Laughlin	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Re my telephone call to the Bureau January 28, 1952.

The attached memorandum submitted to me by SA SKOUSEN is self-explanatory. At the time of the accident SA SKOUSEN was in his personally owned automobile on personal business, and I feel that the Bureau should not be injected into this picture at all. It is strictly a personal matter. SA SKOUSEN is insured. There has been no evidence of negligence on his part in connection with this matter. There have been no press inquiries, and if there is any inquiry into the matter I will advise the Bureau promptly.

JBP:kmb

Attachment

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, PORTLAND

FROM : SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN

SUBJECT: ACCIDENT WITH PERSONAL CAR INVOLVING  
THE DEATH OF MRS. BERTHA MANDY

DATE: January 28, 1952

On Sunday evening, January 27, 1952, the writer left home at 6:30 P.M. to go to church at Gresham, Oregon. The writer proceeded south on 82nd to S. E. Division Street and then east on S. E. Division in the direction of Gresham. As the writer drove along this highway a woman in dark clothing suddenly ran directly in front of the car. She was running south and was about ten feet in front of the car. The car was traveling between thirty and thirty-five miles per hour. The writer swerved his car in attempting to miss the woman, but the right fender struck her, throwing her to the side of the road. The writer was on the wrong side of the road when he stopped. The writer backed up, got out, and after checking the woman's pulse ran into the nearest house for help. They called the police and ambulance at the writer's request and furnished a blanket which the writer covered the woman with to keep her warm. Mrs. EDWARD MANDY, daughter-in-law of the woman, came almost immediately. She told the writer that she was afraid that this would happen as her mother-in-law had almost been hit before by running in front of cars. Officers PAUL HINKLEY and WADE CHATFIELD of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office arrived and took charge. They examined the woman, checked the evidence available, including my car, and advised the writer that he was not negligent and was free to go as soon as he had conferred with the woman's son, Mr. EDWARD MANDY. The ambulance came and removed Mrs. BERTHA MANDY. The writer exchanged information with Mr. EDWARD MANDY and left. Upon checking with Mr. MANDY later the writer was informed that Mrs. BERTHA MANDY passed away at 7:20 P.M.

This road is a highway. There was no intersection at the scene of the accident. The road was dry and the sky clear. The speed limit was thirty-five miles per hour, which the writer was observing. There were no streetlights in this section of the highway. The writer is insured by the Hartford Insurance Company.

LBS:plb

Leroy B. Skousen - Special Agent - Portland Division  
EOD: Clerk, 8-4-41; Special Agent, 7-19-43  
GS-12, \$7440

## Pedestrian, 69 Killed by Car

A car driven by an FBI agent struck and fatally injured a 69-year-old woman Sunday night in front of 11230 S. E. Division street—two doors from her home—as she walked homeward with a bag of groceries from a store across the street.

Mrs. Bertha Mandy, 69, 11250 S. E. Division street, died in Portland sanitarium at 7:20 p. m., about 40 minutes after the mishap. Her death was the first traffic fatality of the year in Multnomah county outside Portland, the sheriff's office said.

### Shock Believed Fatal

Driver of the car was LeRoy Bentley Skousen, 35, FBI special agent, who gave his address as 411 U. S. courthouse. He was not cited by sheriff's deputies.

Deputies Paul Hinkley and Wade Chatfield said Skousen, driving his own car, was traveling about 35 miles an hour when the mishap occurred.

The hospital said Mrs. Mandy suffered arm and leg fractures and a possible back injury, but death presumably was caused by shock.

The body was taken to Pearson's mortuary.

1. Agency and organizational designations U.S. Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Investigation					2. Pay roll period		3. Block No.		4. Slip No. <b>1376</b>	
5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate) <b>MR. EDWIN D. GROSSI</b>					6. Grade and salary <b>GS 12 \$7440</b>					
<b>PAY ROLL CHANGE DATA</b>										
	BASE PAY	OVERTIME		GROSS PAY	RET.	TAX	BOND	F. I. C. A.		NET PAY
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9. Pay this period										
10. Remarks:							11. Appropriation(s)		12. Prepared by	
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14. Effective date <b>2-17-52</b>	15. Date last equivalent increase <b>8-21-50</b>	16. Old salary rate <b>\$7440</b>	17. New salary rate <b>* \$7340</b>	18. Performance rating is satisfactory or better.  (Signature or other authentication)						
19. LWOP data (Fill in appropriate spaces covering LWOP during following periods): Period(s): <b>XEROX</b> <b>FEB 20 1952</b>				(Check applicable box in case of excess LWOP) <input type="checkbox"/> In pay status at end of waiting period. <input type="checkbox"/> In LWOP status at end of waiting period <b>EL:lc</b> Initials of Clerk						
<input type="checkbox"/> No excess LWOP. Total excess LWOP										
STANDARD FORM NO. 1126d—Revised Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S. Nov. 8, 1950, General Regulations No. 102				<b>PAY ROLL CHANGE SLIP—PERSONNEL COPY</b>						



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

FROM : E. J. Ingram

DATE: 2-1-52

SUBJECT: Automobile Accident  
 Personally owned car of  
 SA Leroy B. Skousen - Portland  
 Date - January 27, 1952  
 Mrs. Bertha Mandy - Victim

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

As you will recall, Agent Skousen, while driving his personally owned car, was involved in an accident at approximately 6:40 p.m. on 1-27-52 which resulted in the death of Mrs. Bertha Mandy.

Agent Skousen advises he left home at 6:30 p.m. to go to church at Gresham, Oregon. He proceeded south on 82nd to Southeast Division Street and then east on Southeast Division in the direction of Gresham. As he drove along this highway a woman in dark clothing suddenly ran directly in front of the car. She was running south and was about 10' in front of the car. Agent Skousen advises he was traveling between 30 and 35 mph in a 35 mph zone. He swerved the car in an attempt to miss the woman but the right fender struck her, throwing her to the side of the road. Skousen was on the wrong side of the road when he stopped. He backed up, got out of the car and after checking the woman's pulse, ran into the nearest house for help. A call was placed for the police and an ambulance and Agent Skousen secured a blanket to cover the woman to keep her warm. Mrs. Mandy's daughter-in-law came almost immediately and stated that she was afraid this would happen as her mother-in-law had almost been hit before by running in front of cars. Officers Paul Hinkley and Wade Chatfield of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office arrived and took charge. They examined the woman, checked the evidence available and advised Agent Skousen he was not negligent and was free to go. The ambulance came and removed the victim. Upon checking with the victim's son Agent Skousen learned that the victim had passed away at 7:20 p.m.

Agent Skousen advises there was no intersection at the scene of the accident; the road was dry and the sky clear. There were no streetlights in this section. Agent Skousen is insured by the Hartford Insurance Company.

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SAC Poster states that at the time of the accident Agent Skousen was in his personally owned automobile on personal business

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and feels that the Bureau should not be injected into this picture at all. He states that it is strictly a personal matter, and that Agent Skousen is insured. There has been no evidence of negligence on the part of Agent Skousen in connection with this matter. The SAC states there have been no press inquiries and if there is any inquiry into the matter he will advise the Bureau promptly.—

The foregoing is submitted for your information.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "L. H. Smith" or similar, written in a cursive style.Handwritten initials or a signature, possibly "E. H.", written in a cursive style.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: January 28, 1952

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: FATAL ACCIDENT - 1/27/52  
Special Agent Leroy Bentley Skousen  
Portland, Oregon

Mrs. Bertha Mandey - VICTIM

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

SAC Poster of the Portland Office called at 11:53 AM today and talked with Wick. Poster said Special Agent Leroy B. Skousen in his personally owned car last evening struck and fatally injured Mrs. Bertha Mandey, age 69, of 11250 Southeast Division Street, Portland, Oregon. She died at 7:21 PM last night.

Poster said SA Skousen has advised him he was driving 30 to 35 miles per hour, the woman, who had been shopping, ran in front of his car, and he could not avoid striking her. Skousen remained at the scene, the Sheriff's Office has not cited him and as far as Poster can determine, Skousen is not involved in any type of negligence.

SAC Poster said the Portland Oregonian carried an item this morning concerning the death, in which Skousen, an FBI Agent, is mentioned as driver of the car.

Poster was told to answer any press inquiries received. He was referred to the Administrative Division.

cc: Mr. Glavin

REW:MP

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SAC, Portland

February 6, 1952

Director, FBI

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Reurlet 1-30-52 setting forth the name of SA LeRoy B. Skousen to be added to the list submitted by you on 11-6-51.

The Bureau approves the addition of SA Skousen and he may be utilized for speaking engagements in conformity with existing Bureau regulations.

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*WLC*

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Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

AMSD

DATE: January 30, 1952

FROM : SAC, Portland (67-275)

SUBJECT: SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Remylet November 6, 1951.

At this time I would like to have Bureau approval to use SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN in connection with the speaking program in this office. Several requests have been received during the past few months from friends of his requesting him in particular.

SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN entered on duty August 4, 1941 as a Messenger and July 19, 1943 as an Agent. He is presently assigned to headquarters, Portland Division. He is an approved Bureau speaker. He makes an excellent personal appearance, dresses conservatively, is neat and well groomed, has a mature personality, and is possessed of poise and tact. He has excellent platform presence and makes an excellent speech. He has been in the Bureau over ten years and has an excellent knowledge of the Bureau's history, policies, and procedures. He speaks in well-modulated tones and his enunciation is very good. He is well acquainted in Portland and receives many requests for talks from church groups and schools. He is particularly good in talking to the younger age groups. He has made a number of Bureau speeches in the past, and I consider him above average in this respect. I consider it desirable to have him approved.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: LEROI B. SKOUSEN

Where Assigned: Portland  
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Payroll Title: Special Agent, GS-12

Rating Period: from April 1, 1951 to March 31, 1952

ADJECTIVE RATING: Satisfactory  
Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's  
Initials

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Rated by: James B. Poster Special Agent in Charge April 10, 1952  
Signature JAMES B. POSTER Title Date

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Title Date

Rating approved by: W. J. [Signature] ASSISTANT DIRECTOR APR 30 1952  
Signature Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

(X) Official

(X) Annual ~~XEROX~~

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( ) Administrative

( ) 60-day

( ) Transfer

( ) Separation from service

( ) Special

## NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION.  
UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

# PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee LEROY B. SKOUSENTitle Special Agent, GS-12Rating Period: from 4/1/51 to 3/31/52

## RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving special commendation).  
✓ Satisfactory (ranging from good to excellent but not sufficient to rate outstanding).  
- Unsatisfactory.  
0 No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

An 'Outstanding' rating cannot be justified unless all elements rated are 'plus', and in addition, of course, supporting comments must comply with the requirements as set out below.

So far as 'Satisfactory' and 'Unsatisfactory' ratings are concerned, it is impossible to provide a mechanical formula for computing the various 'plus', 'check', and 'minus' marks because such would presume equal weight for all elements rated. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that the adjective rating is reasonable in the light of the elements rated. All minus marks must be supported by narrative detail, and of course, all 'Unsatisfactory' ratings must comply with the requirements as set out below.

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|---|---|
| <u>✓</u> (1) Personal appearance.   | <u>✓</u> (17) Firearms ability.   |
| <u>+</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.  | <u>✓</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information.   |
| <u>✓</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).  | <u>✓</u> (19) Reporting ability:  |
| <u>✓</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).  | <u>✓</u> (a) Investigative reports  |
| <u>✓</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.   | <u>✓</u> (b) Summary reports  |
| <u>✓</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.   | <u>✓</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires  |
| <u>✓</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions; ability to define objectives.   | (Consider: <u>✓</u> conciseness; <u>✓</u> clarity; <u>✓</u> organization; <u>✓</u> thoroughness; <u>✓</u> accuracy; <u>✓</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>✓</u> administrative detail.) |
| <u>✓</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.   | <u>✓</u> (20) Performance as a witness.   |
| <u>✓</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.  | <u>0</u> (21) Executive ability:  |
| <u>✓</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.   | <u>✓</u> (a) Leadership   |
| <u>✓</u> (11) Industry, including energetic consistent application to duties.   | <u>✓</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel  |
| <u>✓</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. | <u>✓</u> (c) Planning   |
| <u>+</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and 'know how' of application.   | <u>✓</u> (d) Making decisions   |
| <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills.   | <u>✓</u> (e) Assignment of work   |
| <u>✓</u> (15) Investigative ability and results:  | <u>✓</u> (f) Training subordinates  |
| <u>✓</u> (a) Internal security cases  | <u>✓</u> (g) Devising procedures  |
| <u>✓</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases  | <u>✓</u> (h) Emotional stability  |
| <u>✓</u> (c) Fugitive cases   | <u>✓</u> (i) Promoting high morale  |
| <u>✓</u> (d) Applicant cases  | <u>✓</u> (j) Getting results  |
| <u>0</u> (e) Accounting cases   | <u>✓</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:   |
| <u>✓</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability.  | <u>0</u> (a) As leader  |
|   | <u>✓</u> (b) As participant   |
|   | <u>+</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.   |
|   | <u>✓</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure.   |
|   | <u>✓</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:  |
|   | <u>✓</u> <u>Bureau speaker</u>  |

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Security

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker):

Investigator

- C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)  
 (2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)

D. Has employee had any abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No (If so, explain in narrative comments.)

ADJECTIVE RATING :

Satisfactory

Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory



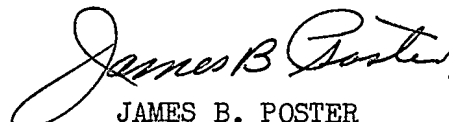
LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
Special Agent, GS-12  
EOD: July 19, 1943

SA SKOUSEN makes a satisfactory personal appearance, dresses neatly and in good taste, and is well-groomed at all times. He is mature and has a rather quiet personality, however, he is possessed of sufficient force and aggressiveness to adequately discharge his duties as an agent.

SA SKOUSEN is rated as excellent in his dictation ability by the stenographers in this office with one exception where he is rated very good, the criticism being made that his dictation is somewhat jerky, which has been brought to his attention and I am satisfied that improvement can be made by him in his dictation. SA SKOUSEN is a mature, experienced agent, and he is qualified to handle the more complicated type of investigations coming within the Bureau's jurisdiction. His paper work requires normal supervision. His production has been average, but I have noted the amount of time spent by him on Bureau work after hours is less than the amount of time spent by the average agent. This has been brought to his attention. He accepts criticism in an excellent manner, has an excellent knowledge of the Bureau's manuals and procedures, and accepts and discharges responsibility with a minimum of supervision. He is capable of performing arduous physical exertion, and I consider him qualified for use on raids and dangerous assignments. SA SKOUSEN is qualified as a Bureau speaker, has been used as such in several instances during the period covered by this report, and very favorable comments have been made to me concerning his ability in this line.

During a recheck inspection of the Portland Office in September, 1951, SA SKOUSEN received a case write-up as he failed to designate a copy of a pertinent report to the United States Attorney. No similar errors have been made since that time. SA SKOUSEN has had no opportunity to display other than average supervisory ability.

Rating: Satisfactory.

  
JAMES B. POSTER  
SAC

JBP:plb

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Initials



United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.



Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Chief Clerk of the FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name Helen S. Skansen Relationship wife Date 4-12-52  
Address 1640 S. P. 88th St Portland Oregon

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in line of duty.

Name Helen S. Skansen Relationship wife Date 4-12-52  
Address 1640 S. P. 88th Portland Oregon

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Very truly yours,

Lynn B. Skansen  
Special Agent

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: September 2, 1952

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (67-275)

SUBJECT: OVERTIME  
PORTLAND DIVISION

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

*Leroy B. Skene*  
Rebulet May 20, 1952, concerning the voluntary overtime report which reflected twelve agents in the Portland Division had not been putting in an hour voluntary overtime, including travel overtime.

My letter of May 15, 1952, set forth comments concerning each of the twelve agents. This, however, was done in one letter. To be certain that this information will be contained in the personnel files at the Bureau of each of these individuals, I am enclosing twelve carbon copies of my letter dated May 15, 1952, for inclusion in each agent's file at the Bureau.

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Enclosure (12)

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, Portland (67-275)  
SUBJECT: OVERTIME  
PORTLAND DIVISION

DATE: May 15, 1952

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

In accordance with your request of May 6, 1952, the following is submitted relative to the 12 Agents in this division whose overtime was less than one hour during the month of March 1952:

SA [REDACTED], whose average overtime during March 1952 was 42 minutes. A check of the overtime performed by this Agent from March 1952 through February 1952 reflects that his total average overtime, both travel and regular, was 2 hours 18 minutes per work day during the entire year.

SA [REDACTED] whose average overtime during March 1952 was 50 minutes. A check of overtime performed by him from March 1951 through February 1952 reflects that his daily overtime average per work day for that year was 1 hour 2 minutes.

SA WILLIAM S. BROWN, whose average overtime during March 1952 was 35 minutes. SA BROWN was on sick leave during the months of April, May, June, July, August, and part of September 1951. However, the average overtime performed by him per work day from March 1951 through February 1952 was 1 hour 5 minutes.

SA [REDACTED] whose average overtime for the month of March 1952 was 30 minutes. Records in this office reflect that his total overtime from March 1951 through February 1952 per work day was 1 hour 36 minutes. SA [REDACTED] had the flu during part of March, and this accounted for his small amount of overtime during that month.

SA THOMAS J. DUGAN, whose average overtime for March 1952 was 36 minutes. Records reflect that from March 1951 through February 1952 his average daily overtime per work day was 1 hour 33 minutes. During the months of February and March 1952 SA DUGAN'S wife was seriously ill.

SA LEONARD E. FRANK, whose average overtime for the month of March 1952 was 37 minutes. Records from March 1951 through February 1952 reflect his average daily overtime per work day was 1 hour 20 minutes. As you recall, SA FRANK suffered gunshot wounds June 15, 1950, and during the past few months it has been necessary for him to have treatments for his hand which was injured at that time.

SA [REDACTED] whose average overtime for the month of March 1952 was 39 minutes, arrived here as a new Agent in September 1951. Records from September 1951 through February 1952 reflect his average overtime per work day has been 1 hour 26 minutes.

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JBF:lmb

Director, FBI

Re: Overtime, Portland Division May 15, 1952

SA [REDACTED] whose average overtime during the month of March 1952 was 26 minutes, arrived here as a new Agent in September 1951. A check of the records since that time through February 1952 reflect that his office average for six months has been 44 minutes. I have talked with this Agent, and you may be assured that he will assume his equitable share of the responsibilities of this office in the future.

SA LAWRENCE S. MOHR, whose average overtime for March 1952 was 55 minutes, arrived at this office as a new Agent in August 1951. Records reflect that from August 1951 through February 1952 his daily average has been 55 minutes. I have discussed this matter with this Agent, and you may be assured that in the future he will share his equitable portion of the burden in this office.

SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN, whose average overtime for March 1952 was 30 minutes. A check of the records reflects that from March 1951 through February 1952 his daily overtime average per work day was 56 minutes. His average was low in March because of the pregnant condition of his wife and some difficulties had by her in connection therewith. I have talked with Agent SKOUSEN, and you may be assured that in the future he will equitably share the burden in this office.

SA MAX E. TAYLOR, whose average overtime for March 1952 was 52 minutes. A check of the records from March 1951 through February 1952 reflects that his average daily overtime was 1 hour 30 minutes. SA TAYLOR has had difficulty with a small cyst for which he is receiving treatment and which has affected the amount of overtime put in by him during March.

SA BENNETT R. STECHER, whose average overtime for March 1952 was 44 minutes. A check of the records from March 1951 through February 1952 reflects that his average daily overtime was 1 hour 22 minutes. During the month of March the health of his wife and baby required that he spend as much time at home as possible.

I will continue to give this matter my personal attention, and you may be assured that all the Agents of this division will equitably share their responsibilities.

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(1-1-50)

HEAD AND FACE Normal

EYES: PUPILS (size, shape, reaction to light and distance, etc.) Normal

DISTANT VISION RT. 20/20, corrected to 20/

LT. 20/20, corrected to 20/

COLOR PERCEPTION Not 1940  
(state edition of Stilling's plates or Lamps used)

DISEASE OR ANATOMICAL DEFECTS None

EARS: HEARING RT. WHISPERED VOICE 15/15' CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH 15/15'

LT. WHISPERED VOICE 15/15' CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH 15/15'

DISEASE OR DEFECTS None

NOSE Normal  
(Disease or anatomical defect, obstruction, etc. State degree)

SINUSES Normal

TONGUE, PALATE, PHARYNX, LARYNX, TONSILS Normal

As charted

**Q. A. DUTNUT, LTJG DC USNR**

(Signature of Dental Officer)

GENERAL BUILD AND APPEARANCE Normal Medium 177  
TEMPERATURE Normal CHEST AT EXPIRATION 34"  
HEIGHT 59 CHEST AT INSPIRATION 37"  
WEIGHT 154 CIRCUMFERENCE OF ABDOMEN AT UMBILICUS 33"  
RECENT GAIN OR LOSS, AMOUNT AND CAUSE None  
SKIN, HAIR, AND GLANDS Normal  
NECK (abnormalities, thyroid gland, trachea, larynx) Normal  
SPINE AND EXTREMITIES (bones, joints, muscles, feet) Normal  
✓ Scar (10 cm) left inner thigh, old laceration. NCD

THORAX (size, shape, movement, rib cage, mediastinum) Normal (scar rt post lower thorax 10cm)  
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM, BRONCHI, LUNGS, PLEURA, ETC. Normal  
Equal diaphragmatic excursion - no REC'D - CH. CLK.  
CARDIO-VASCULAR SYSTEM Normal  
HEART (note all signs of cardiac involvement) U.S. DEPT. OF DEFENSE  
ECG attached, X-Ray No. 1039 neg.  
PULSE: BEFORE EXERCISE 76 BLOOD PRESSURE: SYSTOLIC 114  
AFTER EXERCISE 112 DIASTOLIC 64  
THREE MINUTES AFTER 88  
CONDITION OF ARTERIES normal CHARACTER OF PULSE Normal  
CONDITION OF VEINS normal HEMORRHOIDS None

ABDOMEN AND PELVIS (condition of wall, scars, herniae, abnormality of viscera) Normal. Lower rt rectus incisional scar.

GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM Normal  
URINALYSIS: SP. GR. ALB. neg. SUGAR neg. MICROSCOPICAL Denies  
VENEREAL DISEASE Denies

NERVOUS SYSTEM Normal (organic or functional disorders)  
ROMBERG Normal INCOORDINATION (gait, speech) normal  
REFLEXES, SUPERFICIAL normal DEEP (knee, ankle, elbow) active TREMORS none  
SEROLOGICAL TESTS Kahn neg. BLOOD TYPE A RH Pos.  
ABNORMAL PSYCHE (neurasthenia, psychasthenia, depression, instability, worries) None

SMALLPOX VACCINATION: DATE OF LAST VACCINATION 1943 Tetanus 1943  
TYPHOID PROPHYLAXIS: NUMBER OF COURSES one  
DATE OF LAST COURSE 1943  
REMARKS ON ABNORMALITIES NOT OTHERWISE NOTED OR SUFFICIENTLY DESCRIBED ABOVE None

SUMMARY OF DEFECTS None

CAPABLE OF PERFORMING DUTIES INVOLVING strenuous PHYSICAL EXERTION  
IS THIS INDIVIDUAL PHYSICALLY FIT TO PARTICIPATE IN RAIDS AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS  
WHICH MIGHT ENTAIL THE PRACTICAL USE OF FIREARMS yes (yes or no)  
(when no is given state cause)

FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMARKS (as per boards, when necessary)  
Physically qualified as special agent with FBI

DATE OF EXAMINATION 10-2-52  
EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS ROS

A. M. CLARK, LT MC USNR



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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent, of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent. I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name Helen S. Skansen Relationship Wife Date 11-19-52  
Address 1520 S.E. 54<sup>th</sup> St. Portland Oregon

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in line of duty.

NAME Helen S. Skansen Relationship Wife Date 11-19-52  
Address 1520 S.E. 54<sup>th</sup> St. Portland Oregon

20 JAN 4 1953  
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Very truly yours,

*Larry B. Skansen*  
Special Agent



RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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10-27-52

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:  
~~returned~~

New Commission Card with case # 5599

RETURNED

Old Commission Card with case # 5599

READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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Very truly yours,

Leroy B. Skousen  
Special Agent

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SAC, Portland (66-903)

September 8, 1952

Director, FBI

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SATURDAY AND SUNDAY DUTY

Reurlet 8/26/52.

Authority is granted to utilize the services of Special Agents LeRoy R. Elliott, Leonard E. Frank, J. Donald Reed, and [redacted] for week-end duty in the Portland Office.

SA LeRoy B. Skousen is not being approved for supervisory duty of any type at this time.

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Portland Office File (SOG)

Personnel Files of SAs

Leroy R. Elliott

Leonard E. Frank

J. Donald Reed

[redacted]  
Leroy B. Skousen ✓

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Addendum

The files of SAs Elliott, Frank, Reed, and [redacted] have been reviewed and it is believed they are qualified to function satisfactorily as week-end supervisors.

With regard to SA Leonard E. Frank, who eod 1/5/48 and is in Grade GS-12, \$7040 per annum, it is noted his March, 1952 overtime averaged 37 min, which has been explained by his SAC as due to the fact that he has been taking treatments on his hand the use of which was impaired as the result of gunshot wounds received in June, 1950, in line of duty and for which he is still on limited duty. His services otherwise have been satisfactory.

SA J. Donald Reed eod 8/24/52, is in Grade GS-12, \$7640 per annum. His March 1952 overtime averaged 1 hour. He was censured 9/8/51 for being responsible for the loss of a surveillance on a subject. He was cited for delinquencies during three office inspections but no action was taken on either occasion.

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SA Leroy D. Skousen eod 7/19/43, is presently in GS-12, \$7640 per annum. It is noted his overtime for March, 1952 averaged 30 minutes, which the SAC advised was due to the ill health of SA Skousen's wife, who was expecting a baby. The SAC also advised that Agent Skousen's overtime from March, 1951, to February, 1952, averaged 36 minutes. On 12/10/47 he was censured, placed on probation, suspended, and transferred for divulging derogatory information concerning an applicant, to the applicant. He was censured 5/16/49 for failing to witness a signed statement. He received a meritorious increase in salary 6/16/50.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (66-903)  
SUBJECT: SATURDAY AND SUNDAY DUTY

DATE: August 26, 1952

Authority is requested to utilize the services of the following Special Agents on Saturday and Sunday duty in the Portland Office in addition to those previously approved: LEROY R. ELLIOTT, LEONARD E. FRANK, J. DONALD REED, [redacted] and LEROY B. SKOUSEN.

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*Letter to Dir, Portland  
9-8-52  
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

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Name of Employee: 0 LEROY B. SKOUSEN

Where Assigned: Portland Division  
(Division) (Section, Unit)

Payroll Title: Special Agent, GS-12

Rating Period: from April 1, 1952 to March 31, 1953

ADJECTIVE RATING: Satisfactory  
Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's  
Initials  
LBS.

Rated by: W. H. Williams Asst. Special Agent in Charge 3/31/53  
Signature W. H. WILLIAMS Title Date

Reviewed by: G. C. Burton Special Agent in Charge 3/31/53  
Signature G. C. BURTON Title Date

Rating approved by: W. R. Glavin Assistant Director, MAY 5 1953  
Signature Federal Bureau of Investigation Title Date

TYPE OF REPORT

(X) Official  
(X) Annual

( ) Administrative

( ) 60-day  
( ) Transfer  
( ) Separation from service  
( ) Special

**XEROX**  
**FEB 23 1984**

*memo to Mr. Glavin  
Re: 65-13  
7-16-53*

**21 MAY 7 1953**

*LBS*

## NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION. UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

# PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee LEROY B. SKOUSEN Title Special Agent, GS-12  
Rating Period: from 4/1/52 to 3/31/53

## RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving special commendation).  
✓ Satisfactory (ranging from good to excellent but not sufficient to rate outstanding).  
- Unsatisfactory.  
○ No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

An 'Outstanding' rating cannot be justified unless all elements rated are 'plus', and in addition, of course, supporting comments must comply with the requirements as set out below.

So far as 'Satisfactory' and 'Unsatisfactory' ratings are concerned, it is impossible to provide a mechanical formula for computing the various 'plus', 'check', and 'minus' marks because such would presume equal weight for all elements rated. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that the adjective rating is reasonable in the light of the elements rated. All minus marks must be supported by narrative detail, and of course, all 'Unsatisfactory' ratings must comply with the requirements as set out below.

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|---|---|
| <u>✓</u> (1) Personal appearance.   | <u>✓</u> (17) Firearms ability.   |
| <u>+</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.  | <u>✓</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information.   |
| <u>✓</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).  | <u>✓</u> (19) Reporting ability:  |
| <u>✓</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).  | <u>✓</u> (a) Investigative reports  |
| <u>✓</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.   | <u>✓</u> (b) Summary reports  |
| <u>✓</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.   | <u>✓</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires  |
| <u>✓</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions; ability to define objectives.   | (Consider: <u>✓</u> conciseness; <u>✓</u> clarity; <u>✓</u> organization; <u>✓</u> thoroughness; <u>✓</u> accuracy; <u>✓</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>✓</u> administrative detail.) |
| <u>✓</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.   | <u>✓</u> (20) Performance as a witness.   |
| <u>✓</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.  | <u>○</u> (21) Executive ability:  |
| <u>✓</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.   | <u>✓</u> (a) Leadership   |
| <u>✓</u> (11) Industry, including energetic consistent application to duties.   | <u>✓</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel  |
| <u>✓</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. | <u>✓</u> (c) Planning   |
| <u>+</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and 'know how' of application.   | <u>✓</u> (d) Making decisions   |
| <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills.   | <u>✓</u> (e) Assignment of work   |
| <u>✓</u> (15) Investigative ability and results:  | <u>✓</u> (f) Training subordinates  |
| <u>✓</u> (a) Internal security cases  | <u>✓</u> (g) Devising procedures  |
| <u>✓</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases  | <u>✓</u> (h) Emotional stability  |
| <u>✓</u> (c) Fugitive cases   | <u>✓</u> (i) Promoting high morale  |
| <u>✓</u> (d) Applicant cases  | <u>✓</u> (j) Getting results  |
| <u>○</u> (e) Accounting cases   | <u>✓</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:   |
| <u>✓</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability.  | <u>○</u> (a) As leader  |
|   | <u>✓</u> (b) As participant   |
|   | <u>+</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.   |
|   | <u>✓</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure.   |
|   | <u>✓</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:  |
|   | <u>✓</u> <u>Speaker</u>   |

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Security, general investigative, applicant-type, fugitive

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Investigator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)  
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)

D. Has employee had any abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No (If so, explain in narrative comments.)

ADJECTIVE RATING : Satisfactory  
Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
Special Agent, GS-12  
EOD: August 4, 1941  
July 19, 1943 (as agent)  
Salary: \$7,640

SA SKOUSEN presents a satisfactory personal appearance, he dresses neatly and in good taste, and possesses a quiet personality. He is mature and possesses sufficient force and aggressiveness to adequately discharge his responsibilities as an agent. He appears to be physically fit.

He has been assigned to security work for the greater part of the reporting period, but has recently been assigned to general investigative, applicant-type, and fugitive matters. His work has been satisfactory and requires no more than average supervision. His reports and memoranda are well-prepared and reflect he has the ability to properly initiate his investigations. His production is average, and he is qualified to handle all types of Bureau investigations. He readily accepts suggestions.

He is qualified to handle Bureau firearms and to participate in raids and dangerous assignments. He possesses a current Oregon driver's license. While he has not had the opportunity to testify in court during the reporting period, he has testified on two occasions before the U. S. Commissioner. He has not developed a criminal informant during the reporting period, but has devoted an average amount of time to the development of potential criminal informants. He has been rated as very good in his ability to dictate. He has received a number of speech assignments, and I have received many favorable comments concerning his work as a Bureau speaker. There has been no occasion for this agent to display administrative ability, and it has not been necessary to administer disciplinary action against him during the reporting period. He has advised me he is available for general and special assignment.

I rate him as satisfactory.

SAC G. C. BURTON

WHW:plb

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Initials



STEPHEN E. SMITH  
Principal



HAZEL M. OHMERT  
Vice-Principal  
DONALD W. BRUNER  
Acting Vice-Principal

## PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL  
531 SOUTHEAST FOURTEENTH AVENUE  
PORTLAND 14, OREGON

February 20, 1953

Mr. G. C. Burton, Special Agent in Charge  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
409 U.S. Court House  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Burton:

I wish you to know how much we appreciated the talk given by Special Agent Leroy B. Skousen before our Student Body on February 17. He definitely knows how to talk to high school students. He did not talk down to them and had their attention from the first word.

If you are assigning speakers to high schools again in the future, we should be very pleased to have Mr. Skousen.

Yours very truly,

*Stephen E. Smith*

Stephen E. Smith, Prin.  
Washington High School

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# THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF BAR EXAMINERS

MISS MARJORIE MERRITT, Director

510 Equitable Building  
Denver 2, Colorado

THOMAS H. ADAMS, *Chairman*, Detroit, Mich.  
GEORGE A. HEALEY, *Secretary*, Lincoln, Nebr.

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Please address all replies  
in care of the office of the  
Conference at Denver, Colorado

June 11, 1953

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Leroy B. Skousen is applying for admission to the bar of Oregon and we are preparing the required character report. He was born on September 27, 1917, and says he has been with the FBI since August 4, 1941, as a clerk to July 1943 and thereafter as a special agent.

We wish to verify this employment by your Bureau, learn where he has been located for any length of time, the dates at those locations, and whether or not he has been entirely satisfactory from the character standpoint.

All data will be for the confidential use of the Oregon bar examiners, and your early reply will be much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

*Marjorie Merritt*  
Director

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Checked by: [initials]  
Filed by: [initials]

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June 22, 1953

Miss Marjorie Merritt  
Director  
The National Conference of Bar Examiners  
510 Equitable Building  
Denver 2, Colorado

Dear Miss Merritt:

Receipt is acknowledged of your inquiry dated June 11, 1953, regarding Mr. Leroy B. Skousen, who is applying for admission to the bar of Oregon.

In reply, please be advised Mr. Skousen entered on duty in the Federal Bureau of Investigation on August 4, 1941, and he performed clerical duties until July 19, 1943, when he was appointed to the position of Special Agent. Following a period of training Mr. Skousen performed investigative duties in the following field offices of this Bureau:

Pittsburgh	11-8-43
Cleveland	3-6-44
San Diego	11-26-45
Los Angeles	7-14-47

On January 14, 1948, he was reassigned to the Portland Office where he is presently assigned. Prior to the appointment of Mr. Skousen a complete character and fitness investigation was conducted concerning him and he was found suitable for employment.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

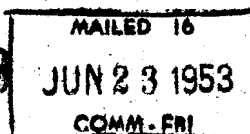
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

DATE: 7-16-53

FROM : H. L. Edwards

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Special Agent  
Portland Office

RE: REALLOCATION

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SA Skousen entered on duty 8-4-41 as an Under Clerk, on 7-19-43 he was appointed to the position of Special Agent, and he has been in Grade GS-12 since 11-14-48. His service as an Agent has been uninterrupted and he is being considered for GS-13 reallocation on the basis of 10 years of service.

By letter dated 12-10-47 he was CENSURED, PLACED ON PROBATION, SUSPENDED from 12-11-47 to 12-24-47 and TRANSFERRED to the Portland Office for having disclosed to [redacted] a Special Agent applicant whose application Agent Skousen had sponsored, the fact that [redacted] had not been given favorable consideration because of information that he had once written a post card to [redacted] whose loyalty was under question. On 6-18-48 he was REMOVED FROM PROBATION.

By letter dated 5-16-49 he was CENSURED and REMOVED AS RESIDENT AGENT for his mishandling of the case of Rual W. Carlstrom, was., Federal Reserve Act, in which it was noted that he failed to witness a signed statement which the subject had executed admitting his violation of the Federal Reserve Act.

On 3-31-50 he was rated VERY GOOD. On 7-9-50 he received a MERITORIOUS INCREASE in salary to \$6600 per annum in Grade GS-12 in view of his extraordinary performance of duty in the Bank Robbery case involving Wayne Leroy Long.

His daily average overtime for October, 1950 was 52 minutes, for November was 1 hour 47 minutes, and for December was 1 hour 19 minutes.

On 3-31-51 he was rated SATISFACTORY in the upper limits. During a recheck inspection of the Portland Office in September, 1951 this Agent was criticized in the case "Virgil Howard Archer, Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution," for his failure to designate a copy of an investigative report for the U. S. Attorney at Portland. No further action was taken.

On 3-31-52 he was rated SATISFACTORY and the accompanying comments indicated his paper work required normal supervision. His production had been average, but the SAC had noted the amount of time spent by him on Bureau work after hours was less than the amount of time spent by the average agent. This had been brought to his attention. He accepted criticism in an excellent manner, had an excellent knowledge of the Bureau's manuals and procedures, and he accepted and discharged responsibility with a minimum of supervision.

His daily average overtime for March, 1952 was 30 minutes, and for August

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On 3-31-53 SAC Burton rated him SATISFACTORY and commented his work had been satisfactory and required no more than average supervision. His reports and memoranda were well-prepared and reflected he had the ability to properly initiate his investigations. His production was average, he was qualified to handle all types of Bureau investigations, and he readily accepted suggestions. He had not developed a criminal informant during the reporting period, but had devoted an average amount of time to the development of potential criminal informants.

RECOMMENDATION: Normally in view of the administrative action taken against this Agent on 12-10-47 and 5-16-49 he would be passed over until July, 1954 which would be 1 year from the date (7-19-53) when he first became eligible for GS-13 consideration. However, in view of his meritorious increase and the favorable comments in his 1953 annual report, it is recommended that he be reconsidered in April, 1954.

12-1-53

*[Signature]*

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: October 19, 1953

*YCB* FROM : SAC, PortlandSUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN (Employee)  
PERSONNEL STATUS CHANGEPortland (Division)ADDRESS AND PHONE CHANGE:

Present phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (City)

Present address: \_\_\_\_\_

MARITAL STATUS:

Married to \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks:

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To employee and \_\_\_\_\_ wife

This is their sixth child.

Remarks:

Residence: 1520 S. E. 54th  
Portland, Oregon

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August 14, 1953

SAC, PORTLAND

RE: LEROY B. SKOUSEN

SPECIAL AGENT

General In-Service Course 7/27 to 8/7/53

Dear Sir:

The above-named Special Agent attended the above General In-Service Training Course at the Seat of Government and attained the following grades:

Notebook	VG
Examination	96
Double Action Course	98
Practical Pistol Course	98
Shotgun (Skeet)	9/25
.30 Rifle	93
Machine Gun	98

Agent Skousen arrived 2:15 P.M. 7/27/53. Annual leave charged 10 AM - 2:15 PM.

The firearms grades with the exception of the Shotgun Skeet Course should be entered on the individual field firearms training record.

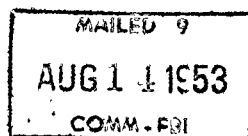
Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate) <b>MR. LEROY B. SHOURSEN</b>	6. Grade and salary <b>GRADE GS 12 \$7640</b>
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**PAY ROLL CHANGE DATA**

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9. Pay this period										

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		13. Audited by

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14. Effective date <b>1-16-53</b>	15. Date last equivalent increase <b>2-17-52</b>	16. Old salary rate <b>\$7640</b>	17. New salary rate <b>\$7840</b>	18. Performance rating is satisfactory or better.
19. LWOP data (Fill in appropriate spaces covering LWOP during following period(s): Period(s): <b>23 JUL 1953 - FEB 23 1954</b>				(Check applicable box in case of excess LWOP) <input type="checkbox"/> In pay status at end of waiting period. <input type="checkbox"/> In LWOP status at end of waiting period.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No excess LWOP. Total excess LWOP:				<b>JL/vlw</b> Initials of Clerk





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent, of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent. I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of \$10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name Helen S. Skensen Relationship Wife Date 11-30-57  
Address 1520 S. E. 54<sup>th</sup> Portland Oregon

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in line of duty.

NAME Helen S. Skensen Relationship Wife Date 11-30-57  
Address 1520 S. E. 54<sup>th</sup> Portland Oregon

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Very truly yours,

Leroy B. Skensen  
Special Agent

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

DATE: 11-30-53

FROM : H. L. Edwards *HL*

SUBJECT: SA LEROY BENTLEY SKOUSEN  
 Portland Office  
 Non-Veteran  
 Not on Probation  
 EOD 8-4-41 - Under Clerk  
 7-19-43 - Special Agent  
 GS-12, \$7840

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RE: REALLOCATION

SA Skousen entered on duty 8-4-41 as an Under Clerk, on 7-19-43 he was appointed to the position of Special Agent, and he has been in Grade 12 since 11-14-48. His service as an Agent has been uninterrupted and he is being considered for Grade GS-13 reallocation on the basis of 10 years of service.

By letter dated 12-10-47 he was CENSURED, PLACED ON PROBATION, SUSPENDED from 12-11-47 to 12-24-47 and TRANSFERRED to the Portland Office for having disclosed to [redacted] a Special Agent applicant whose application Agent Skousen had sponsored, the fact that [redacted] had not been given favorable consideration because of information that he had once written a post card to [redacted] whose loyalty was under question. On 6-18-48 he was REMOVED FROM PROBATION.

By letter dated 5-16-49 he was CENSURED and REMOVED AS RESIDENT AGENT for his mishandling of the case of Rual W. Carlstrom, was., Federal Reserve Act, in which it was noted that he failed to witness a signed statement which the subject had executed admitting his violation of the Federal Reserve Act.

On 3-31-50 he was rated VERY GOOD. On 7-9-50 he received a MERITORIOUS INCREASE in salary to \$6600 per annum in GS-12 in view of his extraordinary performance of duty in the Bank Robbery case involving Wayne Leroy Long.

His daily average overtime for October, 1950 was 52 minutes, November was 1 hour 47 minutes, December was 1 hour 19 minutes **67-208435-182**

On 3-31-51 he was rated SATISFACTORY in the upper limits. On 3-31-52 he was rated SATISFACTORY and the accompanying comments indicated his paper work required normal supervision. His production had been average, but the SAC noted the amount of time spent by him on Bureau work after 5 hours was less than the amount of time spent by the average agent. This had been brought to his attention. He accepted criticism in an excellent manner, had an excellent knowledge of the Bureau's manuals and procedures, and he accepted and discharged responsibility with a minimum of supervision. His daily average overtime for March, 1952 was 55 minutes, and for August, 1952 was 1 hour 36 minutes. In connection with his low overtime, the SAC advised this was because of the pregnant condition of his wife and some difficulties had by her in connection therewith.

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On 3-31-53 SAC Burton rated him SATISFACTORY and commented his work had been satisfactory and required no more than average supervision. His reports and memoranda were well-prepared and reflected he had the ability to properly initiate his investigations. His production was average, he was qualified to handle all types of Bureau investigations, and he readily accepted suggestions. He had not developed a criminal informant during the reporting period, but had devoted an average amount of time to the development of potential criminal informants. His daily average overtime for April, 1953 was 1 hour 41 minutes.

In July, 1953 he was considered for GS-13 reallocation; however, he was passed over at that time to be reconsidered at a later date in view of the administrative action taken against him on 12-10-47 and 5-16-49.

RECOMMENDATION: Although this Agent has already been passed over for GS-13 reallocation because of the administrative action taken against him on 12-10-47 and 5-16-49, inasmuch as he does not meet the qualification of having 3 out of 4 excellent or above average annual ratings for the last four years, at this time; it is recommended he again be passed over and that he be reconsidered for GS-13 reallocation upon receipt of his 1954 annual report.

*Agree 5/1*  
*on 5/1*

October 28, 1953

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Mr. Leroy B. Skousen  
1520 Southeast 54th  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Skousen:

The news of the recent addition to the Skousen family has just reached me and I want to take this opportunity to extend to Mrs. Skousen and you my hearty congratulations.

May  life be filled with all the joy and happiness your hearts desire.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

CC: SAC, Portland

(P&C)

CC: Personnel Officer

CC: Mr. Heim

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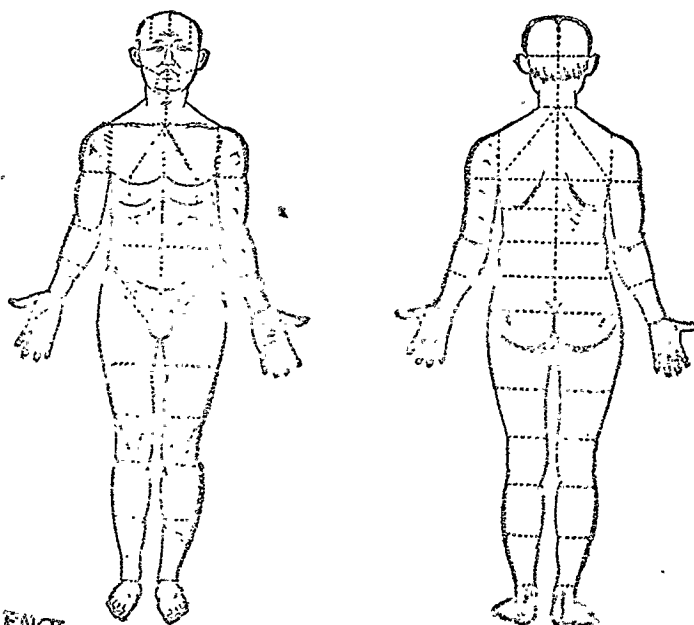
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# REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME <b>SKOVSEN, Leroy Pontley</b>				2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION <b>Spec. Agent</b>		3. IDENTIFICATION NO.	
4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State) <b>1520 SE 54th Portland, OR</b>				5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION <b>ANNUAL</b>		6. DATE OF EXAMINATION <b>11 1953</b>	
7. SEX <b>MALE</b>	8. RACE <b>CATO</b>	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY <b>00</b> CIVILIAN <b>12</b>	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE <b>JUSTICE</b>		11. ORGANIZATION UNIT <b>PORTLAND, OR</b>		
12. DATE OF BIRTH <b>9 27 17</b>		13. PLACE OF BIRTH <b>CANADA</b>		14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN			
15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS <b>HAS SCOTT, M.D.</b>				16. OTHER INFORMATION			

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY	TIME IN THIS CAPACITY: TOTAL	LAST SIX MONTHS
CLINICAL EVALUATION		
NOTES.—Describe every abnormality in detail. (Enter pertinent item number before each comment; continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)		

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Females only		(Check how done)
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44. DENTAL (Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively)																REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES	
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73. NOTES (Continued) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

§ 28 Healed scar, old thoracotomy for empyema. NCD

§ 46 9th & 10th ribs on rt. side are fused at junction of inner & middle 1/3. This may be congenital or an old fracture.  
IMP: Ess. negative chest.

(Use additional sheets of plain paper if necessary)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (List diagnoses with item numbers)

§ 28 NCD

§ 46 NCD

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (Specify)

76. PHYSICAL PROFILE

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77. EXAMINEE (Check)

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PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS (Item Number)

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79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN

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80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN

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81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (Indicate which)

SIGNATURE

82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY

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NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88  
(Revised July 21, 1952)

Report of Medical Examination

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER:

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

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14	71 (unless other examination indicates desirable)
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65	72

Item 48, the electrocardiogram, is not required unless the examinee is over 35 years of age or unless other examination indicates such is desirable.

If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X-ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee is \_\_\_\_\_ qualified for strenuous physical  
(is or is not)  
exertion. (Designate which)

FOR ALL MALE EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS:

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

no

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 and 70 PERTAINING TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION, AND HEARING BE COMPLETED IN DETAIL.

L. B. SKOGEN  
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

19 November 1953

7-20843-183 (Date)  
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Transmit the following message to: 2/26/54

URGENT

SAC, PORTLAND

QUALIFYING SPECIAL AGENT LEROY B. SKOUSEN AS POLICE  
INSTRUCTOR, PORTLAND OFFICE. LECTURE FIFTY-FOUR  
FIFTY-FOUR. MANUSCRIPT OF SPECIAL AGENT SHOULD BE REVIEWED  
AND APPROVED BY BUREAU. HE MAY BE UTILIZED AS LECTURER  
ON STATE LAW. SHOULD SUBMIT TO BUREAU TWO ADDITIONAL COPIES  
OF MANUSCRIPT IMMEDIATELY.

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Note: It is noted that the incoming letter requested that  
SA Skousen be approved as a lecturer on State Law in time  
to be utilized in a school beginning March 1. Portland  
Office has no qualified lecturer on State Law and desired  
SA Skousen be approved expeditiously. [redacted] and SA  
[redacted] reviewed the manuscript of SA Skousen and advised  
that it is satisfactory. He is being instructed to submit  
two additional copies as only one copy was submitted  
with the letter of 2/19/54 and Bureau policy requires that  
three copies of these lectures be submitted.

SA Skousen entered on duty on 8/4/41 as a clerk and on  
7/19/43 entered on duty as a SA. He is presently assigned  
to the Portland Office in grade GS-12 at salary of \$7640  
per annum. By letter of 12/10/47 he was censured and  
placed on probation as he had advised a SA applicant of the  
reason his application had not been given favorable consideration.  
By letter dated 5/16/49 he was censured and removed as resident  
agent for his mishandling of a case. On 7/9/50 he received  
a meritorious increase for his extraordinary performance in  
a bank robbery case. He is a member of the Bar in Virginia  
and Oregon and is an approved Bureau speaker. On his  
efficiency rating dated 3/31/53 he was rated as satisfactory  
and he is not on probation.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 19, 1954

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

ATT'N.: TRAINING AND  
INSPECTION DIVISIONSUBJECT: QUALIFYING SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
AS POLICE INSTRUCTOR  
PORTLAND OFFICE

SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN entered on duty as an agent on July 19, 1943, and has been assigned to the Portland Office since January 14, 1948. In September, 1953, SA SKOUSEN was admitted to the Oregon State Bar.

SA SKOUSEN is a qualified Bureau speaker and is extremely interested in police school work. Since being admitted to the Oregon State Bar, he has made a considerable study of the subject, "Law of Arrest and Search and Seizure," and has intimated that should the occasion ever arise, he would like very much to present this subject in future police schools where it is included in the curriculum.

SA SKOUSEN is a mature and experienced agent. He makes a good appearance and has performed an excellent job in representing the Bureau in past speech assignments. I feel that he will make a very good police instructor and recommend that the Bureau qualify him as one.

Attached hereto for your approval is SA SKOUSEN's manuscript which he has prepared on the subject, "Law of Arrest and Search and Seizure."

As the Training Division is well aware, the Portland Office in cooperation with Oregon Association of City Police Officers and the Oregon State Sheriffs Association has just completed holding seven basic schools throughout the state. On February 17, 1954, Chief of Police CLYDE WARREN, Salem, Oregon, who is chairman of the training committee for the Oregon Association of City Police Officers, requested that two additional basic schools be held at Medford and Coos Bay, Oregon, starting on March 1 and 8, 1954, respectively, it being necessary to hold the schools on the above dates in order that they will not conflict with the advanced regional schools which are scheduled to start on March 8, 1954, also. It is further desired that the new men in Medford and Coos Bay be qualified in basic school before attending the advanced regional schools.

Captain EUGENE FERGUSON, Deputy Chief of Police, Portland PD, has in the past handled the subject, "Law of Arrest and Search and Seizure" in all basic

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schools, but due to heavy commitments resulting from his office as Deputy Chief of Police, he finds himself unable to handle this subject at the Medford and Coos Bay schools.

This office, in order that the Medford and Coos Bay officers can receive the same training as presented in the preceding seven basic schools, is requesting authority to have SA SKOUSEN present the subject, "Law of Arrest and Search and Seizure" at Medford, Oregon, on March 1 and Coos Bay, Oregon, on March 12, 1954. This office has no police instructor presently available who has passed the Oregon State Bar and qualified to present this subject.

Form FD-132 will be forwarded to the Bureau in connection with the above-mentioned schools as well as for the regional advanced schools.

It is requested that Portland be advised by airtel at the earliest possible date whether or not SA SKOUSEN can be used in connection with the above indicated schools.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTN. TRAINING & INSPECTION DIVISION) DATE: March 1, 1954

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: QUALIFYING SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
AS POLICE INSTRUCTOR  
PORTLAND OFFICE

Rebutel February 26, 1954.

Enclosed are two additional copies of the manuscript of SA SKOUSEN. It is noted at the end of the manuscript on page 28 it makes reference to an attached copy of the case. At the present time additional copies of the case are not available, but will be forwarded to the Bureau for attachment to the manuscript at the time they are received.

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MARCH 12, 1954

SAC, PORTLAND

RE SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN RESIGNED. REURTEL MARCH TWELVE  
NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR. CHECK DATED INSTANT DATE  
SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO SKOUSEN. BUREAU RECORDS REFLECT  
HE HAS FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY HOURS LEAVE FOR WHICH PAYMENT  
HAS NOT BEEN MADE.

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Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Clegg	
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Miss Gandy	

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DIRECTOR

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SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN, RESIGNED. BUREAU ACCEPTED RESIGNATION OF SKOUSEN  
CLOSE OF BUSINESS MARCH ELEVEN LAST. SALARY CHECK RECEIVED IN MAIL  
TODAY DATED MARCH TWELVE INSTANT. PLEASE ADVISE IF CHECK SHOULD  
BE DELIVERED TO SKOUSEN.

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Mr. Glavin

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cc memo to Mr. Tolson

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MARCH 11, 1954

SAC, PORTLAND

URGENT

RE SA LEROY B. SKOUDER. DESIGNATION THIS AGENT BEING ACCEPTED WITH  
ACTIVE DUTY CEASING CLOSE OF BUSINESS TODAY MARCH ELEVENTH. LETTER  
FOLLOWS. SECURE GOVERNMENT PROPERTY AND FORWARDING ADDRESS.

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CC - Mr. Glavin

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTN. INSPECTOR JOHN MOHR) DATE: March 12, 1954

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

~~PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL~~

This will confirm my telephone call to the Bureau on March 11, 1954, and rebutel March 11, 1954, accepting SKOUSEN's resignation effective at the close of business on March 11, 1954.

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At 12:25 p.m. on March 10, 1954, I took a complaint telephone call from a woman who inquired if we had an agent named SKOUSEN. I asked the caller to identify herself. She stated she did not desire to identify herself and advised that the purpose of her call was to report that SKOUSEN was "spending time at home in the daytime." She advised that when he came home in the daytime he had with him a black car which she assumed was a government car. I repeatedly attempted to get the caller to identify herself, stating I desired to interview her inasmuch as it would be considered a serious accusation if the information she was reporting should concern an agent. She advised that she did not desire to identify herself inasmuch as she was "afraid of SKOUSEN" because she disliked him. She then terminated the conversation by hanging up.

At the end of this call, which lasted approximately one and one-half minutes, I checked SA SKOUSEN's No. 3 Card and found he was out in a radio car. I called him by radio and received no answer, and at the same time I called his home by telephone and received no answer. I was not able to reach him by radio and called his home at 12:53 p.m., at which time SKOUSEN, himself, answered the phone, and he was instructed to immediately report to the office.

I am attaching SKOUSEN's memorandum which he prepared as a result of my request. It will be noted that he advised he has occasionally been going home for lunch because of the illness of his wife, at which time he assisted her in feeding the children and doing necessary housework. SKOUSEN stated he was well-aware of the handbook regulation concerning visiting his home during the daytime and stated he had no reason for the violation of this rule other than the health of his wife.

I am also attaching a memorandum dated March 11, 1954, prepared by ASAC D. E. RONEY, recording the results of a neighborhood investigation he made concerning the anonymous complaint made

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Re: SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN

against SA SKOUSEN. You will note that the first interview conducted by ASAC RONEY was with Mrs. C. W. BLAKELY, who is a next-door neighbor and who was involved with SKOUSEN in a law suit over the property line between their houses. You will also note that RONEY sets out that Mrs. BLAKELY was very nervous in connection with this interview and stated she disliked SKOUSEN, was afraid of him, and in effect accused SKOUSEN "and a whole bunch of Mormons" of ganging up on her. ASAC RONEY has advised me that from Mrs. BLAKELY's comments and general actions during the interview it is his opinion she is the one who made the anonymous telephone call.

It will also be noted that the other neighbors who were interviewed, including the INGALLS' who live next door on the other side of SKOUSEN, all speak highly of SKOUSEN and his family. It is also noted that the other neighbors, with the exception of the INGALLS', stated they had noticed he periodically came home for lunch.

In addition to the information set out in RONEY's memorandum, he advised me that Mrs. BAKER, who lives directly across the street from SKOUSEN, mentioned she had seen SKOUSEN at home a time or two other than at lunch hours on working days around the time his last baby was born. For the Bureau's information, SKOUSEN's youngest child was born [REDACTED] and the records of this office show he took five days' leave October 19-23.

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On the morning of March 11, 1954, SKOUSEN came into the office and advised me that he has been concerned for a long time over the health of his wife and has been seriously considering submitting his resignation so he could get into work which would allow him to spend more time at home in the daytime, and that he desired to submit his resignation. The resignation was tendered, and he was advised that the fact he had tendered his resignation would be reported to the Bureau. He was also advised I had no authority to accept this resignation.

In my telephone call to the Bureau I advised SKOUSEN's work has been satisfactory, that he has recently been made a police instructor, and that the manuscript which he submitted on the laws of arrest for the purpose of qualifying as a police instructor was in my opinion a very fine manuscript.



Re: SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN

On the afternoon of March 11, 1954, I received a teletype from the Bureau advising that the resignation of SKOUSEN was being accepted as of the close of business March 11, 1954. SKOUSEN was advised of this fact.

Leroy B. Skousen - Former Special Agent

EOD: 7/19/43

Resigned: 3/17/54. Personnel files reflect that the day before Skousen's resignation anonymous telephone call received at the Portland Office, to which he was assigned, to effect that Skousen was spending time at home during working hours. Interview with Skousen and neighborhood investigation indicated he had been going home for lunch in violation of handbook regulation concerning visiting at home during working hours. Skousen advised his wife had been in extremely poor health, that he had five small children and when his wife was feeling bad and he was unable to get assistance for her, he would go home during his regular lunch period and help feed the children. Skousen said he had discussed situation with his wife and he felt under the circumstances the best thing he could do was resign. Resignation accepted.

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TO : SAC

DATE: 3-10-54

FROM : LEROY B. SKOUSEN

SUBJECT: RETURNING HOME DURING OFFICE HOURS

At 12:50 PM on this date the writer was called by SAC GEORGE BURTON in reference to returning to the writer's home during working hours. Concerning this matter the writer has the following statement to make:

At the present time the writer has been occasionally returning to his residence for lunch. The reason for this has been that the writer's wife has been ill for some time with a bronchial condition which originated in Cleveland, Ohio while the writer was assigned to that area. The writer has been assisting in the preparation of lunch and house cleaning during these lunch hours. On some days the writer's wife feels well and can manage the household by herself. However, for the past few months the writer has employed a Mrs. Powers to come into the home two days out of the week to give it a general cleaning.

On this particular day in question the writer's wife was not feeling well and requested to be allowed to stay in bed. The writer arose at 5:30 AM and fed the baby. The writer then prepared breakfast, fed the children, got them ready for school and departed for work arriving at 8:15 AM.

The writer discussed some matters with the SAC relative to police schools, reviewed some of his cases and left the office at 10 AM. The writer covered the leads that he had planned and returned to his home at 12:15 PM. The writer assisted in the preparation of lunch, ate and was preparing to depart at 12:50 PM when the SAC called. The writer answered the phone and was requested to immediately proceed to the office which he did. When the writer has stopped at his home for lunch he has always parked his car in front of his home and has never made any attempt to conceal the fact that he was home.

The writer has discussed the illness of his wife with the SAC, but has never requested permission to have lunch at home when his wife has been ill. The writer realizes that he should have done this.

In submitting this memorandum there is one condition in the neighborhood that the writer would like to point out. The writer originally purchased his present home from Mrs. J. Tazwell whose daughter, Mrs. Faye Blakely, retained an adjoining lot to build on. These people misrepresented the lot lines on the premises to their real estate representatives and to us. The real estate firm finally had to take them into court and the court required them to deed to us the represented property. These people and what friends they have in the neighborhood are now so bitter that they refuse to speak to us or our children. As a family unit we have generally ignored the situation, but under the circumstances the writer feels that it should be pointed out.

The writer realizes that a mistake has been made on his part and will see that no physical contact is made with his home in the future without the permission of the SAC.

*Leroy B. Skousen*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, PORTLAND

FROM : ASAC D. E. RONEY

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: March 11, 1954

Pursuant to your instructions, the following investigation was conducted by me in the neighborhood of SA SKOUSEN's residence in Portland on March 10, 1954. In contacting all of the individuals listed below, neighbors of SKOUSEN, I prefaced my inquiry by informing them that we had received an anonymous allegation from an individual purporting to be a neighbor of SKOUSEN who alleged that he was spending a certain amount of time at home on frequent occasions during the day while he was ostensibly supposed to be working. I pointed out that if such allegation were true we considered it a matter of grave concern and that if it were false we would also consider the allegation as a matter of grave concern and would also regard it as being a most unfair accusation. I pointed out that if the charge were false we would be most interested in determining whether any person or persons in the neighborhood might regard SA SKOUSEN with sufficient animosity to prompt such an allegation out of maliciousness.

I endeavored to conduct the first interview with Mrs. C. W. BLAKELY, 5408 S. E. Hawthorne Street, who lives on the corner immediately adjoining SKOUSEN's property. When I identified myself to Mrs. BLAKELY, she definitely appeared to be somewhat nervous and upset and stammered rather hesitatingly that she was not able to talk with me at the moment. She appeared to be grasping for an excuse and said her elderly mother was with her having tea. I asked her whether I might speak with her in approximately thirty minutes, and she consented. When I returned about a half hour later, Mrs. BLAKELY received me, and when I informed her the purpose of my visit, she stated that with respect to the possibility of SKOUSEN being at his residence during the daytime or during working hours she would not be able to say anything concerning this. She said she did not want to get mixed up in anything like this. She said she would be afraid to make any statements concerning such a matter and stated she was afraid of Mr. SKOUSEN. I inquired as to the basis of her fear, and she stated she was afraid he would use his position to intimidate her. She stated she did not like Mr. SKOUSEN, stated he impressed her as having a bad disposition, and said everyone in the neighborhood would tell me the same thing. When I inquired as to the basis of her feeling toward Mr. SKOUSEN, she stated

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Re: SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN

it was a matter of court record and that I could check the records of a local court which would reflect that SKOUSEN had filed a law suit against her over a dispute in the property line between their two residential properties. Mrs. BLAKELY indicated that she was in the right in this property line dispute and stated in the court proceedings SKOUSEN, who is a Mormon, had several other Mormons on his side and that the matter resulted in her, Mrs. BLAKELY, standing alone against "a whole bunch of Mormons." Mrs. BLAKELY went on to say that Mr. SKOUSEN's children annoyed her and ran over her property to such an extent that she had to build a high fence between the two properties.

It was apparent that Mrs. BLAKELY was personally biased and embittered to a substantial extent against SA SKOUSEN. When I endeavored to interrogate her further as to the allegation that SKOUSEN was at home during the daytime, she did state that she observed him come home at noon for lunch a number of times a week and that on such occasions he was driving what she believed to be a black sedan. Mrs. BLAKELY declared she was unable to state whether SKOUSEN had ever been at home during working hours at any time other than the noon lunch hour. During the course of the interview Mrs. BLAKELY made a number of statements to the effect that she did not care whether SKOUSEN got into trouble or not, whether he lost his job or not, or what might happen to him. Mrs. BLAKELY, who appeared to be a woman in her middle 50's, advised she has no children and resides at this address with her husband.

Mrs. JAY S. BAKER, 1521 S. E. 54th Avenue, advised that she resides directly across the street from the home of SA SKOUSEN, stating she knows Mr. SKOUSEN very casually and stating she has visited at home with Mrs. SKOUSEN on a few brief occasions. When I informed Mrs. BAKER of the purpose of my inquiry, she immediately replied almost explosively that she knew the whole story behind this allegation. Mrs. BAKER then told me she had lived at this address for nearly thirty years and that she had known Mrs. BLAKELY for nearly twenty-five years. She stated that it was common knowledge in the neighborhood that there had been a dispute over the property line between SKOUSEN's property and BLAKELY's property, which resulted in a law suit. Mrs. BAKER stated the entire piece of property comprising BLAKELY's present property, SKOUSEN's property, and the property adjoining SKOUSEN on the other side was at one time owned by Mrs. BLAKELY's mother. The error in the property line between SKOUSEN's present property and the property presently occupied by the residence of Mrs. BLAKELY was, according to Mrs. BAKER, an honest error which occurred in surveying

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the property a number of years ago. The error should have been properly corrected in favor of Mr. SKOUSEN, but Mrs. BAKER continued it was common knowledge that during the court proceedings over this property line Mrs. BLAKELY and her mother deliberately lied in court in a barefaced attempt to "steal" some six or seven feet of property from SKOUSEN in order to increase her own property. Mrs. BAKER stated Mrs. BLAKELY is a mean, introverted woman and, assuming that Mrs. BLAKELY had made this allegation against SA SKOUSEN, declared that this was the rankest thing she had ever done and that she had done a lot of crude things to her neighbors. Mrs. BAKER pointed out that for many years there had been a stone bench on the street corner of Mrs. BLAKELY's property for the accommodation of bus passengers at the bus stop. However, when Mrs. BLAKELY built a new home on that corner approximately two years ago she removed the bench as she did not want people loitering on the corner of her property.

Mrs. BAKER stated as far as SKOUSEN is concerned she has the highest regard for him as an individual, as well as for Mrs. SKOUSEN. Mrs. BAKER declared that the SKOUSENS are very well-regarded in the neighborhood. Mrs. BAKER stated she recalled on a very few occasions she has seen an automobile in front of SKOUSEN's house during the approximate noon hour and she considered that he was possibly home for lunch on those occasions. Mrs. BAKER knew that Mrs. SKOUSEN had been ill considerably and that she had recently given birth to her fourth child and stated at that time she believed Mr. SKOUSEN came home to assist her briefly at noon time. Mrs. BAKER stated it had been her general observation that Mr. SKOUSEN went to work early in the morning and returned home late at night and generally worked long hours, and she could not recall ever having seen him at home during the daytime except on weekends and except on the few occasions she saw him at home during the approximate lunch hour.

Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT G. INGALLS, 1600 S. E. 54th Avenue, were interviewed in their home jointly. The INGALLS are elderly people, Mr. INGALLS advising that he has his own insurance agency in Portland. Both Mr. and Mrs. INGALLS stated it had been their general observation that SKOUSEN, whom they knew only very casually, went to work early in the morning and returned late in the evening. Mrs. INGALLS, who is at home generally all during the daytime and can readily view all of SKOUSEN's property from her home, stated she could not recall ever having seen Mr. SKOUSEN at home during the daytime except on weekends. Both Mr. and Mrs. INGALLS stated they considered the SKOUSENS to be very pleasant neighbors

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of excellent character and reputation. Mr. INGALLS volunteered that with respect to the allegation which had been made against SKOUSEN that if he could venture a guess as to the source of the allegation his unofficial, off-the-record guess would be that the anonymous complainant was Mrs. C. W. BLAKELY, who is known to have been involved in a rather bitterly disputed property line law suit with SKOUSEN. Mr. INGALLS stated the property which he presently owns which adjoins SKOUSEN's to the south was purchased by him from Mrs. BLAKELY a very short time prior to the time SKOUSEN purchased his property from her. INGALLS stated at the time he purchased his property he observed that Mrs. BLAKELY was a rather strange acting woman in many respects, and Mrs. BLAKELY's attorney at that time told Mr. INGALLS that it was his, the attorney's, impression that Mrs. BLAKELY was "just not quite all there," meaning that she was possibly slightly mentally unbalanced. INGALLS stated Mrs. BLAKELY objected to children since they annoyed her and ventured the opinion that Mrs. BLAKELY was behind this allegation. INGALLS stated considering her as the source of the allegation he would not put much stock in it.

Miss ELIZABETH ELLIOTT, 1619 S. E. 54th Avenue, who lives across the street from SKOUSEN and a short distance below him, advised that she is casually acquainted with the SKOUSENS and considers them to be people of excellent character and reputation. When informed of the purpose of the inquiry, Miss ELLIOTT immediately volunteered that it was common knowledge in the neighborhood that Mrs. BLAKELY had been most unfair and unjust in a property line dispute with SKOUSEN. Miss ELLIOTT stated she has lived in that neighborhood and has known Mrs. BLAKELY for nearly thirty years and stated Mrs. BLAKELY is the type of woman who takes great pride in her own home, keeps everything scrupulously clean and neat, plants a great many shrubs and flowers around her own home, and objects strenuously to children or cats and dogs. Miss ELLIOTT stated Mrs. BLAKELY is generally regarded as being a rather unpleasant woman to have for a neighbor and ventured the opinion that Mrs. BLAKELY would be the only person in that neighborhood who would ever make any kind of an accusation against Mr. SKOUSEN. Miss ELLIOTT stated also she is at home nearly all the time and can view the front of SKOUSEN's property with ease from her home and she could not recall ever having seen SA SKOUSEN at home during the daytime or during working hours.

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Mrs. KATHLEEN SUTTON, 1611 S. E. 54th Avenue, an elderly widow woman, advised that she is acquainted with Mr. and Mrs. SKOUSEN very casually and can view their property with ease from her home. Mrs. SUTTON stated she is home nearly all the time and stated she believed Mr. SKOUSEN came home for lunch occasionally, possibly once or twice a week on the average. She stated she had seen him coming home at lunch time on a very few occasions and recalled he was driving a black or dark-colored automobile which she did not know belonged to him or the government. Mrs. SUTTON, when informed of the purpose of this inquiry, immediately stated she knew there was bad feeling between the BLAKELY's and the SKOUSENS over the property line dispute and because of the fact that Mrs. BLAKELY was the type of woman who was considerably annoyed and irritated by children and the SKOUSENS have four or five small children. Mrs. SUTTON, who appeared to be a rather timid woman, stated she felt it her patriotic duty to tell the FBI everything she knew about anything and stated Mrs. BLAKELY was a mean and malicious woman and she would not put it past her to make such a false and unjust charge against Mr. SKOUSEN since she personally disliked him. Mrs. SUTTON stated she, herself, had a very high regard for the SKOUSENS, knowing them to be active in religious work and declaring the reputation of SA SKOUSEN in the neighborhood was excellent.



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 3/11/54

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
 Special Agent  
 Portland Division  
 EOD as Clerk 8/4/41  
 EOD as Agent 7/19/43  
 Grade GS-12, \$7840  
 Non-Veteran - Not on Probation

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SAC Burton called this afternoon and stated that yesterday at 12:25 p.m. he had received an anonymous telephone call that Special Agent Skousen was spending time at his home during the daytime, which the anonymous caller felt was not quite proper. The anonymous caller identified herself as a neighbor of Skousen's and said she was afraid of him because she did not like him.

Mr. Burton stated that he checked the records and ascertained that Skousen was out in a radio car and tried to call him via radio but was unsuccessful. He immediately tried to call Skousen at his home at 12:25 p.m. but received no response. He called Skousen's home again at 12:53 p.m. and Skousen answered the phone. Burton instructed him to return to the office.

Skousen admitted he had occasionally been returning to his residence for lunch. He knew this was wrong and a violation of Bureau regulations. It should be noted that Part I, Page 2a of the FBI Handbook states: "An Agent, whether assigned to a resident agency or the field office headquarters city, is not to visit his residence during official working hours without specific approval of a supervisory employee. Any such visit and the reasons therefor are to be clearly shown on the #3 card and daily report when prepared."

Skousen advised that his wife had been in extremely poor health, that he had five small children and when his wife was feeling bad and he was unable to get assistance for her, he would drop home during his regular lunch period, have lunch himself and help feed the five small children. It is noted his last child was b6 b7C

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Mr. Burton stated in view of the nature of the allegation and the fact that it had been reported by an anonymous neighbor, he had a neighborhood investigation conducted and it appears that the anonymous caller was Mrs. Faye Blakely, the next door neighbor of Skousen, who is regarded as a character in the neighborhood and a

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trouble maker. Mrs. Blakely is the daughter of the woman Skousen purchased his home from and Skousen had quite a bit of trouble with the mother over this property and it was necessary to bring suit over an argument about the property line.

Two neighbors said they saw Skousen at home at lunch time. One neighbor said he saw Skousen at home when it was not lunch time but it was about the time Skousen's last child was born. Mr. Burton said that Skousen had five days of annual leave at the time the last child was born. Mrs. Blakely would not admit she had called the office and as a matter of fact she would not discuss the matter at all except to state she had on occasions seen Skousen at home at lunch time.

Skousen said he had discussed the situation with his wife and he felt under the circumstances the best thing he could do was resign. He has submitted a written resignation in which he states he has been considering resigning from the service due to the poor health of his wife and the necessity of securing other employment in order to take care of his wife and family.

Mr. Burton was advised that Skousen should be permitted to cease active duty at the close of business today and he would be advised by teletype whether the Bureau was accepting Skousen's resignation or whether other action was contemplated against him. Mr. Burton recommended that the Bureau accept Skousen's resignation with active duty ceasing at the close of business today.

There is attached a permanent brief of Skousen's file which reflects he entered on duty as a clerical employee on August 4, 1941 and was appointed a Special Agent on July 19, 1943. He is in Grade GS-12, \$7840 per annum. He is 36 years of age, married and, as indicated, has five children. He has an Associate of Arts Degree and attended law school. He is a member of the Virginia State and Federal Bars. His office of preference is Los Angeles.

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Skousen's resignation be accepted with active duty ceasing at the close of business today and that the attached teletype go forward to SAC Burton advising him of this fact.

Sent 3-11-54

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Called:

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March 16, 1954

Special Agent in Charge

Portland

Re: Leroy B. Skousen  
Special Agent

Dear Sir:

With reference to the resignation of the above employee it is desired that the property checked below be secured from him at the time he ceases active duty and forwarded to the Bureau together with his forwarding address:

- (X) Badge with case # 2425
- (X) Commission Card with case # 5599
- (X) Agents Brief Case
- ( ) Zipper Brief Case
- ( ) G. T. R. Identification Card #
- (X) Official Police Revolver (or any other type of Revolver issued by the Bureau) # 647196
- (X) Official Police Hip Holster (or any other type of Holster issued by the Bureau)
- (X) Pachmayr Adapter (Grip)
- (X) FBI Handbook # 953
- ( ) Inspector's Manual #
- ( ) Manual of Rules and Regulations #
- ( ) Manual of Instructions Vol. I, II and III #
- ( ) Manual of Technical Equipment #
- ( ) Tax Exemption Identification Card #          & Certificates
- ( ) Portable Typewriter #
- (X) GTR's # 4567

It is imperative that an efficiency rating be submitted for this employee as of the date he ceases active duty.

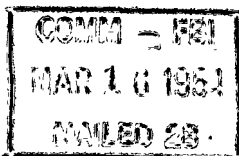
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Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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March 15, 1954

Mr. Leroy P. Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Skousen:

This is to advise you your resignation as a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation is being accepted with active duty having ceased at the close of business March 11, 1954, your resignation to become effective at such time as your annual leave for the current year expires. You will receive payment in a lump sum for the unused annual leave which you carried into the current leave year and the personnel action form which will be forwarded to you later will indicate the amount of this lump-sum payment, together with the effective date of your resignation.

There is enclosed an Application for Refund of Retirement Deductions which should be executed by you, in duplicate, and returned to this Bureau for appropriate action. However, it should be noted from the form which is also enclosed that you have a choice of accepting either a refund or a deferred annuity beginning at age 62 and if the latter choice is made the refund application should not be filed. It should also be noted your application cannot be processed until your final payment is scheduled by this Bureau, which is approximately three weeks after your resignation becomes effective. It has been our experience that it takes an additional four weeks for an account to clear both the United States Civil Service Commission and the Department of the Treasury. For your information, deductions will not be taken from your salary for retirement purposes subsequent to the effective date of your resignation.

It is requested that you keep this Bureau promptly advised of your forwarding address and any changes therein until such time as all salary matters have been settled. This will eliminate considerable delay in transmitting checks to you.

Sincerely yours,

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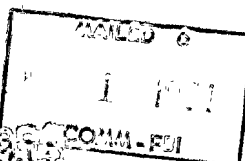
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

CC: SAC, Portland  
(Personal Attention)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM : SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
 SUBJECT: RESIGNATION

DATE: 3-11-54

EXPEDITE PROCESSING

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*Miss [unclear] 5/25/54*

In writing this letter of resignation the writer has finally come to one of the hardest decisions that he has ever had to make. It has taken a great deal of mature consideration to reach this decision.

As you know, the writer has had an illness problem in his home for some time. In addition the writer has a rather large family of five children that require his constant attention. Due to the heavy demands of being a Special Agent the writer has found his handling of his home problem becoming more of a conflict and after thoroughly discussing the problem with the family we have finally come to the conclusion that the writer should seek other employment that is more in line with handling his home problem.

In submitting this resignation the writer extends to you his sincerest regret that it has become necessary for him to sever his relations with the service. The writer has enjoyed the last 12 years with the personnel of this office and other offices that he has been assigned in. It has been a real pleasure to serve under your command. In leaving the writer desires that you personally know that if at any time he can be of assistance to you or the service he would be most happy to do so.

It is the desire of the writer that this resignation become effective within the next 30 days at your convenience.

*Leroy B. Skousen*

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SKOUSLEY LEROY B.

(SURNAME)

(FIRST NAME)

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MONTH	DAY	YEAR	STATE AND CONG. DISTRICT	COUNTY	CITY OR TOWN
9	27	17	Cal. 8	San Bernardino	San Bernardino
SEX M	RACE W		MILITARY SERVICE _____ YES _____ NO _____		
RETIREMENT AGE 70			MILITARY PENSION OR WAR RISK COMPENSATION _____ YES _____ NO _____		

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EDUCATION:	COMMON SCHOOL	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE	DEGREES, IF ANY
(INDICATE NUMBER OF YEARS)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4	
SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS				

# REPORT OF EXIT INTERVIEW AND SEPARATION

FD-198

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, PORTLAND  
 SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN (SA)  
 Forwarding address 1520 S. E. 54th Avenue  
 Portland, Oregon

DATE: March 12, 1954

Please read this before interviewing:

The exit interview, to be beneficial, must be conducted as promptly as possible after receipt of resignation. It should be conducted by personnel assistant or counselor or similar person not occupying direct supervisory relationship to employee. It should be conducted in adequate privacy with adequate time. It should be designed to supplement resignation, to obtain real, motivating reason for resignation, to serve as basis for (1) accurate analysis of turnover, (2) determining necessary or desirable organizational improvements, and (3) permitting a recorded recommendation regarding future reinstatement. Many times, an exit interview, properly and promptly conducted, results in saving a valuable employee. On involuntary separations, the exit interview is designed to record the reason and any pertinent comments, it being assumed the recommendation would be unfavorable for reinstatement.

## Reasons given for separation

Check

- I. Military
- II. Working conditions
  - A. Excessive work (overtime, 6-day week)
  - B. Unsatisfactory relations with Supervisor or employees
  - C. Interest of work (monotony)
  - D. Shifts
  - E. Transfer (failure to obtain or unable to accept)
  - F. Promotional prospects and/or salary (other employment)
  - G. Level of work (unsuited to ability)
  - H. Unsatisfactory development
- III. General
  - A. General living costs
  - B. Housing facilities
  - C. Transportation
  - D. Poor health (self)
  - E. Poor health (family)
  - F. Homesickness
  - G. Marriage
  - H. Maternity
  - I. Housewife or child care
  - J. Attend school
  - K. Retirement
  - L. Change of residence (husband or family moving)
  - M. Other reasons (please note specific reason in comments)
- IV. Involuntary
  - A. Dismissed with prejudice
  - B. Requested resignation with prejudice
  - C. Requested resignation without prejudice
  - D. Dropped from rolls without prejudice
  - E. Death

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A. Comments: (Please state specific individual reason in explanation of check on other side of form)

MAR 29 1954  
SA SKOUSEN advised his wife has for years been ill of some kind of bronchial or asthmatic ailment and that he has been considering resigning so he could give more time in the daytime to assist his wife in caring for the family.

B. Does Employee have any specific suggestion for improving the organization? If so, explain.

No

C. Has employee been cautioned about not divulging confidential information acquired in job?

Yes

D. Recommendations re reinstatement:

Unfavorable.

The day before the resignation was submitted an anonymous telephone call was received at the Portland Office to the effect that SKOUSEN was spending time at home during working hours. Interview with SKOUSEN and neighborhood investigation indicated SKOUSEN had been going home for lunch in violation of the handbook regulation concerning visiting at home during working hours. The resignation was submitted the next morning and was accepted by the Bureau as of the close of business March 11, 1954.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI PERSONAL AND  
CONFIDENTIAL

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT  
RESIGNATION

DATE: March 16, 1954

Enclosed herewith is the Separation from Service Report of Performance Rating for LEROY B. SKOUSEN, together with his letter of resignation, Report of Exit Interview, personnel file, firearms record, and duplicate property record.

Under separate cover by registered parcel post the following property is being forwarded:

Badge with case #2425  
Commission Card with case #5599  
FBI Handbook #953  
Agents Brief Case  
Official Police Revolver #647196  
Official Police Hip Holster  
Grip Adapter  
GTR's Book 4567 (148651-148665 used) - J148666-J148675

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Enclosures (6)  
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# FIELD FIREARMS TRAINING RECORD

SPECIAL AGENT

SKOUSEN, LEROY B.

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OFFICE	MO. YR.	DAC HS	PPC	#1 SG	.30	MG	GAS	SG#2 RD	MPP	QUALI- FIED
Portland	1/52								✓	
	2/52								✓	
	3/52								✓	
	4/52				81	84			BULLSEYE ✓	
	5/52	AL (MADE UP 6/52)	97	96		96		✓		
	6/52	92	98	100				-		
	7/52	(made up 8-52)	97	96		94		✓		
	8/52	96	94							
	9/52	94	94			98				
	1/53								✓	
	2/53								✓	
	3/53								✓	
SL	5/53	Made up 10/53	96	93	90	100				
	6/53				90					
(7L)	7/53	See 1.5. below						19 (MU 10/53)		
In Service	8/53	98	98		93	98				
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	11/53								80	
	12/53								78	
	1/54								86	

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

b6  
b7CName of Employee: LEROY B. SKOUSENWhere Assigned: Portland Division  
(Division) (Section, Unit)Payroll Title: Special Agent, GS-12Rating Period: from April 1, 1953 to March 11, 1954ADJECTIVE RATING: Satisfactory  
Outstanding, Satisfactory, UnsatisfactoryEmployee's  
InitialsJ. B. S.Rated by: G. C. Burton Special Agent in Charge 3/15/54  
Signature Title DateReviewed by: [Signature] ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MAR 31 1954  
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Signature Title Date

### TYPE OF REPORT

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(X) Administrative-171  
( ) 60-day  
( ) Transfer  
(X) Separation from Service 1954  
( ) Special

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

MAR 21 1954  
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Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION. UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

# PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee LEROY B. SKOUSEN Title Special Agent, GS-12  
Rating Period: from 4/1/53 to 3/11/54

## RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

- + Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving special commendation).  
✓ Satisfactory (ranging from good to excellent but not sufficient to rate outstanding).  
- Unsatisfactory.  
0 No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

An 'Outstanding' rating cannot be justified unless all elements rated are 'plus', and in addition, of course, supporting comments must comply with the requirements as set out below.

So far as 'Satisfactory' and 'Unsatisfactory' ratings are concerned, it is impossible to provide a mechanical formula for computing the various 'plus', 'check', and 'minus' marks because such would presume equal weight for all elements rated. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that the adjective rating is reasonable in the light of the elements rated. All minus marks must be supported by narrative detail, and of course, all 'Unsatisfactory' ratings must comply with the requirements as set out below.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <u>✓</u> (1) Personal appearance.   | <u>✓</u> (17) Firearms ability.   |
| <u>✓</u> (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.  | <u>✓</u> (18) Development of informants and sources of information.   |
| <u>-</u> (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).  | <u>✓</u> (19) Reporting ability:  |
| <u>✓</u> (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).  | <u>✓</u> (a) Investigative reports  |
| <u>✓</u> (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.   | <u>✓</u> (b) Summary reports  |
| <u>✓</u> (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.   | <u>✓</u> (c) Memos, letters, wires  |
| <u>✓</u> (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions; ability to define objectives.   | (Consider: <u>✓</u> conciseness; <u>✓</u> clarity; <u>✓</u> organization; <u>✓</u> thoroughness; <u>✓</u> accuracy; <u>✓</u> adequacy and pertinency of leads; <u>✓</u> administrative detail.) |
| <u>✓</u> (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.   | <u>✓</u> (20) Performance as a witness.   |
| <u>✓</u> (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.  | <u>✓</u> (21) Executive ability:  |
| <u>-</u> (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.   | <u>✓</u> (a) Leadership   |
| <u>✓</u> (11) Industry, including energetic consistent application to duties.   | <u>✓</u> (b) Ability to handle personnel  |
| <u>✓</u> (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control. | <u>✓</u> (c) Planning   |
| <u>✓</u> (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and 'know how' of application.   | <u>✓</u> (d) Making decisions   |
| <u>✓</u> (14) Technical or mechanical skills.   | <u>✓</u> (e) Assignment of work   |
| <u>✓</u> (15) Investigative ability and results:  | <u>✓</u> (f) Training subordinates  |
| <u>✓</u> (a) Internal security cases  | <u>✓</u> (g) Devising procedures  |
| <u>✓</u> (b) Criminal or general investigative cases  | <u>✓</u> (h) Emotional stability  |
| <u>✓</u> (c) Fugitive cases   | <u>✓</u> (i) Promoting high morale  |
| <u>✓</u> (d) Applicant cases  | <u>✓</u> (j) Getting results  |
| <u>✓</u> (e) Accounting cases   | <u>✓</u> (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:   |
| <u>✓</u> (16) Physical surveillance ability.  | <u>✓</u> (a) As leader  |
|   | <u>✓</u> (b) As participant   |
|   | <u>✓</u> (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.   |
|   | <u>✓</u> (24) Ability to work under pressure.   |
|   | <u>✓</u> (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:  |
|   | <u>✓</u> <u>Speaker</u>   |

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Security, general investigative, applicant-type, fugitive

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Investigator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)  
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)

D. Has employee had any abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No (If so, explain in narrative comments.)

ADJECTIVE RATING :

Satisfactory

Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
Special Agent, GS-12  
EOD: July 19, 1943 (as Agent)

This report of performance rating is being submitted as a result of this man's resignation effective as of the close of business on March 11, 1954.

SKOUSEN presents a satisfactory personal appearance, dresses neatly and in good taste. He is small of stature, but has sufficient aggressiveness to properly handle his work. He has the type of personality which facilitates his making good contacts, and I have received numerous outside comments concerning his ability to make speeches. He was recently qualified as a police instructor. He has a good knowledge of Bureau rules, regulations, and policy, and his work required an average amount of supervision.

On March 10, 1954, an anonymous call was received at the Portland Office to the effect that SKOUSEN was spending time at home during working days. Upon interview SKOUSEN admitted he had been going home for lunch and acknowledged this was done in violation of the Bureau rule concerning an agent visiting his home during working hours. He acknowledged he had not entered on his No. 3 Cards the fact he had visited his home and had received no supervisory permission to do so. He advised that his reason for returning home for lunch was that his wife had been quite ill and he went home to feed the children and do necessary house work. A neighborhood investigation indicated SKOUSEN had been seen home occasionally by the neighbors at lunchtime.

In view of the foregoing, the ratings on Items 3, Attitude, and 10, Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail, are being marked unsatisfactory.

SKOUSEN submitted his resignation on the morning of March 11, 1954, and the Bureau accepted his resignation to be effective as of the close of business that night.

SAC G. C. BURTON

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March 11 1954

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, Portland (67-275)  
SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
Former Bureau Agent

DATE: 5-28-56<sup>b6</sup>  
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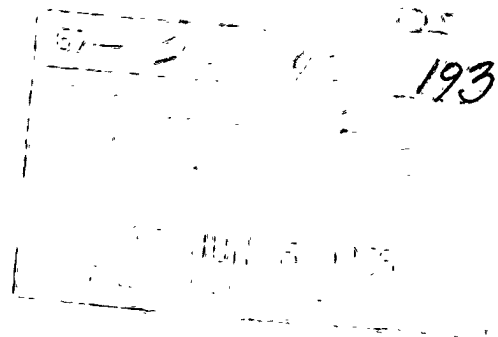
For the information of the Bureau, [redacted] and a former Bureau SE, advised a resident agent of this office on 5-24-56 that his mother had a piece of property in Portland to sell several months ago. [redacted] suggested that she contact SKOUSEN to handle the sale, which she did, receiving \$7000. [redacted] had no use for the money at the time so she let SKOUSEN invest it for her in a first mortgage. She did not receive the mortgage papers and after several months told SKOUSEN that she'd like to have her money. After some difficulty he gave her his personal check for \$7000. The check was deposited and was returned 5-24-56 marked NSF.

[redacted] indicated he was first going to contact SKOUSEN and if satisfactory explanation was not obtained, he was considering filing a charge against SKOUSEN.

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# Oregonians Are Entitled To

## The Facts

### The Malheur Enterprise

Oregon Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton in seeking to press charges of misconduct against Oregon Liquor Control Commission employees and officials has met with little success, and in the process has been accused of everything from meddling to political haymaking.

A recent Multnomah county grand jury considered information he placed before it but failed to bring indictments, dodging the issue by claiming that the charges were primarily matters of administration.

Now Thornton has appealed to the public, and this week he made available a brief summary of his findings—findings which were brought to light in an investigation made for him by Leroy Skousen, a former F.B.I. agent who was stationed in Vale a few years ago.

Skousen dug out the information that a commission employe in transacting official business solicited \$100 from a distillery representative and received \$60.

Two commission employes pressured a distillery representative into paying them some \$94.

In the secret but official Maguire investigation in 1954, these same two individuals testified falsely under oath concerning the receiving of the \$94, both later admitted receiving it. Temporarily suspended, both were rehired by the O.L.C.C.

A commission employe solicited and received \$250 to aid a liquor license applicant who was applying for a liquor-by-the-drink license.

A commission official submitted an irregular expense account and collected \$396 by reason thereof from the state.

For many years, says Thornton's report, it has been the practice for O.L.C.C. officials and employes to accept presents and hospitality from liquor interests, including clocks, silverware, glassware, whiskey by the case and many other gratuities.

In fairness to the grand jury, Thornton points out that the 3-year time limit within which indictments might have been brought on the two individuals mentioned expired before the jury commenced its investigation, although, he claims, the facts were known to officials before the time limit was reached.

Thornton charges that despite repeated official statements that there was no secret evidence, his requests to both the O.L.C.C. and the Governor's office to inspect the record of irregularities revealed in the Maguire investigation have been refused.

"It is my conclusion that a real old-fashioned housecleaning at the Oregon Liquor Commission is long overdue," the attorney general says.

We do not profess "inside" knowledge of Attorney Thornton's charges, and while his investigation might certainly have political repercussions, and for that matter, might have been "politically inspired," we think he is entirely within his rights to call for a "housecleaning" in the O.L.C.C.

The grand jury evidence which he has now made public is much too serious a matter to go unanswered, or to be ignored.

Oregonians are entitled to all of the facts, and without delay.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Sizoo	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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Re: ROBERT Y. THORNTON  
ATTY. GENERAL  
STATE OF OREGON

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editor ROBERT THURSTON,  
Malheur Enterprise, Vale, Oregon

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (80-288)

SUBJECT: ATTORNEY GENERAL ROBERT Y. THORNTON  
STATE OF OREGON  
INFO CONCERNING

DATE: 10-5-55

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Parsons  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Nease  
Mr. Winterrowd  
Miss Gandy

RePDlet 8-29-55 and previous communications concerning local Grand Jury probe concerning possible criminal violations in connection with operation of Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

This matter was presented to a new local Grand Jury at Portland, Oregon, from 9-21-55 to 9-27-55. Witnesses before the Grand Jury included HOWARD BOBBITT, Portland attorney who conducted an investigation for the Governor in the matter, C. C. SPEARS, special investigator for the District Attorney of Multnomah County, and LEROY B. SKOUSEN, Portland attorney who conducted an investigation for Attorney General THORNTON in the matter. These three are former SAs, FBI.

[redacted] by SKOUSEN in his investigation, [redacted] to the Grand Jury that SKOUSEN said the interest of Attorney General THORNTON in the matter was political. It is noted that [redacted] is a criminal informant of the Portland Office.

On 10-1-55 the Grand Jury reported that no indictments would be returned.

I am transmitting herewith an editorial from the "Oregonian", Portland daily newspaper, 10-3-55, entitled "Impugning the Grand Jury", critical of THORNTON's part in this probe.

Bureau will be kept advised of any further developments.

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LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR	
SA Skousen, Leroy B.								8-4-41				1949	

LEAVE RECORD																							
MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL			SICK			MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL			SICK			ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD			
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APRIL	9			60			40	OCTOBER	22			164	40	204	100								
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									24			180											
MAY	11	8	20	76			50	NOVEMBER	25	40	108	188			110								
	12	8	28	84					26	40	148	196											
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JUNE	14			100			60	DECEMBER	1			204			120								
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LAST NAME		FIRST NAME AND INITIAL		IDENTIFICATION No.		TYPE OF APPOINTMENT		EOD DATE		AGENCY		CALENDAR YEAR	
SA Skousen, Leroy B.								8-4-41				1949	

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LEAVE RECORD																							
MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL			SICK			MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL			SICK			ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD			
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		HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.	TOTAL				HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.	TOTAL									
JANUARY	21	8	8	4			10	JULY	16			116	8	40	70								
	3			12					17			124											
	4	1	9	20	32	32																	
FEBRUARY	5			28			20	AUGUST	18			132			80								
	6			36					19	80	178	140											
MARCH	7	1	10	44			30	SEPTEMBER	20			148	2	42	90								
	8	24	34	52					21			143											
									22			149											
APRIL	9			60			40	OCTOBER	23			155	24	66	100								
	10			68					24			180											
	11			76																			
MAY	12			84			30	NOVEMBER	25			188	24	90	110								
	13			92					26			196											
JUNE	14	24	58	100			60	DECEMBER	1			204			120								
	15	40	98	108					2a			208											

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SA Skousen, Leroy B.								8-4-41				1951	

Skousen, Leroy B. SA

6 till

8-4-56

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION NO.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
Skousen, Leroy B.	SA	6 till	8-4-56			1953

Standard Form No. 1137  
General Regulations No. 102

## LEAVE RECORD

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June 28, 1946

MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL		SICK		ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W-AWL-SUSPENDED				COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD					
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		HRS.	TOTAL		HRS.				TOTAL	HRS.		TOTAL	HRS.					TOTAL	DATE	TYPE	HRS.
JANUARY	2			6		4	JULY	16	40	48	90			60					# 4 hrs. taken		
	3			13	16	16		17	40	88	96			64					7-27-53 not paid		
	4			18	24	40													rec. pay. # 18 1/2		
FEBRUARY	5			24	16	56	16	AUGUST	18	27	119	102			68						
	6			30			20		19			108			72						
									20	16	135	114			76	0					
MARCH	7			36			24	SEPTEMBER	21	8	143	120	8	80	80	0					
	8			42			28		22	1	144	126			84	0					
	9			48			32														
APRIL	10			54			36	OCTOBER	23	40	184	132			88	0	REMARKS				
	11			60			40		24			138	82	112	92						
MAY	12			66			44	NOVEMBER	25			144			96						
	13	8	8	72	8	64	48		26	16	200	150			100	0					
JUNE	14			78	8	72	52	DECEMBER	27			160			104	0					
	15			84			56		1			166			108	0					
																		YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)			
																		ITEM	AMT.	SICK	
																		BAL. FORWARDED	392	392	
																		YR. ACCRUAL	450	108	
																		TOTAL	166	508	
																		TOTAL TAKEN	200	112	
																		BALANCE	41	388	

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JANUARY	2			6			4	JULY															
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MARCH	7	22	30	—			—	SEPTEMBER															
APRIL								OCTOBER															
MAY								NOVEMBER															
JUNE								DECEMBER															

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attending				TOTAL				446				408			
thru 3:30 PM				TOTAL TAKEN				30				18			
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Skousen, Leroy B.	SA	6 till	8-4-56	8-4-41		1954

Calendar Year 1945	
LWOP	SUSP.
No. of days _____	
Annual lost _____	
Sick lost _____	
ANNUAL	
As of 1-1-45	34-1 ✓
Current Acc.	26-0
Total	60-1
Leave lost _____	
Balance _____	
Total taken	20-3
Balance 1-1-46	39-6 ✓
(amt. lost) _____	
SICK	
As of 1-1-45	22-7 ✓
Current Acc.	15-0
Total	37-7 ✓
Leave lost _____	
Balance _____	
Total taken	16-0
Balance 1-1-46	21-7 ✓

<b>Calendar Year 1948</b>		
No. of days _____	LWOP _____	SUSP. _____
Annual lost _____		
Sick lost _____		
<b>ANNUAL</b>		
As of 1-1-48 _____		
Current Acc. _____		
Total _____		
Leave lost _____		
Balance _____		
Total taken _____		
Balance 1-1-49 _____ (amt. lost) _____		
<b>SICK</b>		
As of 1-1-48 _____		
Current Acc. _____		
Total _____		
Leave lost _____		
Balance _____		
Total taken _____		
Balance 1-1-49 _____		

EMPLOYEE SA Skousen, Leroy B. EOD 8-4-41 DIV.

ACC. ANN. 51-5 ACC. SICK 31-5 ADV. SICK

ACC. ANN.		ACC. SICK		ADV. SICK		46-1		36-7									
ACC. ANN.		ACC. SICK		ADV. SICK		46-1		36-7									
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ACC. ANN. 39-6 ACC. SICK 21-7 ADV. SICK

ACC. ANN.		ACC. SICK		ADV. SICK		50-2		26-3									
ACC. ANN.		ACC. SICK		ADV. SICK		50-2		26-3									
DAY OF MO.	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	DAY OF MO.	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	DAY OF MO.	JAN	FEB	MAR
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Calendar Year 1947

LWOP SUSP.

No. of days 10

Annual lost 1-0

Sick lost 0-5

ANNUAL

As of 1-1-47 51-5 50-5

Current Acc. 14-4 11-4

Total 65-9 61-9

Leave lost 1-0

Balance 64-9

Total taken 14-4 19-4

Balance 1-1-48 50-5 42-5

(amt. lost)

SICK

As of 1-1-47 31-5

Current Acc. 15-0

Total 46-5

Leave lost 0-5

Balance 46-0

Total taken 6-0

Balance 1-1-48 40-0

Calendar Year 1946

LWOP SUSP.

No. of days

Annual lost

Sick lost

ANNUAL

As of 1-1-46 39-6

Current Acc. 26-0

Total 65-6

Leave lost

Balance

Total taken 14-1

Balance 1-1-47 51-5

(amt. lost)

SICK

As of 1-1-46 21-7

Current Acc. 15-0

Total 36-7

Leave lost

Balance

Total taken 5-2

Balance 1-1-47 31-5

19 8-2-41. Law DIV.

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ACC. SICK

**ADV. SICK**

INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1941

19 8-4-41

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ADV. SICK

## INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1944

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1. NAME Skousen Leroy Bentley (S.A.)

LAST

FIRST

MIDDLE

2. OFFICE OF ASSIGNMENT Portland

NOTE : PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING FORM.

IF IN BUREAU 15 YEARS FROM EOD LISTED UNDER ITEM 8 AND NO LEAVE WITHOUT PAY IN EXCESS OF 6 MONTHS IN ANY ONE CALENDAR YEAR, AS LISTED UNDER ITEM 10, IT WILL ONLY BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO CERTIFY YOUR STATUS BY PLACING A CHECK MARK IN THE "15 YEARS OR OVER" BOX IN THE "TOTAL FEDERAL SERVICE" SPACE AT THE TOP OF THIS PAGE, AND SIGNING THE FORM. DO NOT FILL IN OTHER INFORMATION IN SUCH CASES.

TOTAL  
FEDERAL SERVICE

(CHECK ONE, PER ITEM II)

LESS  
THAN  
3 YRS.3 YRS. BUT  
LESS THAN  
15 YRS.15 YRS.  
OR  
OVER

(AS OF CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JANUARY 6, 1952)

DATE YOU WILL REACH NEXT CATEGORY:

8  
MONTH4  
DAY56  
YEAR

3. PREVIOUS CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT SERVICE (GIVE COMPLETE NAME OF AGENCY AND BRANCH)	DATE EOD	DATE SEPARATED	TOTAL LENGTH OF SERVICE WITH EACH AGENCY			TOTALS ITEMS 4, 6, 8 9, 10, and 11
			YRS.	MOS.	DAYS	

4. TOTAL LENGTH OF PREVIOUS CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT SERVICE (ADD ALL TIME LISTED UNDER ITEM 3, DIVIDE TOTAL DAYS BY 30, TOTAL MONTHS BY 12, — GIVE TOTAL IN EXACT YEARS, MONTHS AND DAYS SERVED)	5. MILITARY SERVICE (INDICATE BRANCH — ARMY, NAVY, MARINE CORPS, COAST GUARD, AIR FORCE, ETC. IF NO MILITARY SER- VICE, WRITE "NONE" IN THIS SPACE)	DATE ENTERED ON ACTIVE DUTY DATE GIVEN ON SEPARATION DOCUMENT	DATE DISCHARGED DATE GIVEN ON SEPARATION DOCUMENT	TOTAL SERVICE WITH MILITARY (EACH BRANCH)			TOTALS ITEMS 4, 6, 8 9, 10, and 11
				YRS.	MOS.	DAYS	

FOLD ON THIS LINE

6. TOTAL MILITARY SERVICE (ADD ALL TIME LISTED UNDER ITEM 5, DIVIDE TOTAL DAYS BY 30, TOTAL MONTHS BY 12 — GIVE TOTAL IN EXACT YEARS, MONTHS AND DAYS SERVED)				TOTAL SERVICE SINCE LAST EOD DATE	TOTALS ITEMS 4, 6, 8 9, 10, and 11
7. STATUS AT TIME OF ENTRANCE ON DUTY WITH ARMED FORCES (CHECK ONE)	ON MILITARY LEAVE FROM CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT SERVICE	RESIGNED FROM CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT SERVICE TO ENTER ARMED FORCES	ENTERED ARMED FORCES FROM PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT OR SCHOOL		
8. PRESENT FBI SERVICE (IF REINSTATED, LIST DATES OF PREVIOUS SERVICE WITH FBI UNDER ITEM 3)	LATEST EOD DATE 8 4 41 MONTH DAY YEAR	TO CLOSE OF BUSI- NESS JAN. 6, 1952		10 4 30 CARRY THIS FIGURE IN COLUMN ON RIGHT	10 4 30
9. FEDERAL SERVICE TIME - GROSS TOTAL (ADD ITEMS 4, 6, AND 8, DIVIDE TOTAL DAYS BY 30, TOTAL MONTHS BY 12—GIVE TOTAL IN EXACT YEARS, MONTHS AND DAYS SERVED.)				10 4 30	10 4 30
10. LEAVE WITHOUT PAY (EXCLUDING MILITARY) IN EXCESS OF SIX MONTHS TAKEN DURING ANY ONE CALENDAR YEAR. (LIST TOTAL IN YEARS, MONTHS, AND DAYS)					
II. FEDERAL SERVICE TIME - NET TOTAL (SUBTRACT <del>ITEM 10</del> FROM ITEM 9. THIS WILL GIVE YOU YOUR ACTUAL SERVICE TIME.)				10 4 30	10 4 30

FEB 23 1984

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY  
KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

(SIGNED)

(DATE)

Leroy D. Skousen

1-3-52

(WRITTEN SIGNATURE)



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (80-288)

SUBJECT: ATTORNEY GENERAL ROBERT Y. THORNTON  
STATE OF OREGON  
INFO CONCERNING

DATE: 8-26-55

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Sizoo	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

RePDlet 8-23-55 and previous PD communications concerning discord between captioned individual and Governor PAUL PATTERSON of the State of Oregon.

For the information of the Bureau, District Attorney WILLIAM LANGLEY, Multnomah County (Democrat), instituted a grand jury probe concerning possible criminal violations in connection with the operation of the Oregon Liquor Commission. To appear before the grand jury are Governor PAUL PATTERSON, Attorney General THORNTON, former SAC HOWARD I. BOBBITT who conducted investigation in connection with Attorney [redacted] at the request of Governor PATTERSON, and former SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN who conducted investigation for Attorney General THORNTON.

In a chance meeting with District Attorney LANGLEY on 8-25-55 he voluntarily brought up the grand jury probe and indicated that it was his feeling that Attorney General THORNTON was making a "political football" of this matter.

Transmitted herewith is article "Thornton, Ex-FBI Agent Talk With DA of Probe" which appeared in the 8-25-55 issue of the "Oregonian", Portland, Oregon, daily newspaper.

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# FIELD FIREARMS TRAINING RECORD

SPECIAL AGENT

SKOUSEN, LEROY B.

FD-40  
3-25-47

OFFICE	MO. YR.	DAG HS	PPC	SG#1	.30	MG	GAS	SS /RD	MPP	SG#2	QUALI- FIED
PORTLAND	12/49								✓		
	1/50								✓		
	2/50								✓		
	3/50	SPECIAL							4/21/50 MADE-UP		
	4/50				83	87		✓			BULLSEYE REVOLVER
	5/50	EAL 95	MADE UP 94	100							
	6/50	86	93			93				✓	
	7/50	94	96	100							
	8/50	88	98			90				✓	
	9/50	A.L. MADE-UP 7/51			94	98					
	10/50										
	11/50	SPECIAL							MADE-UP 1/51		
	12/50								✓		
	1/51								✓		
	2/51								✓		
	3/51								✓		
	4/51				99	96					
	5/51	95	92	100							
	6/51	EAL (MAKE-UP 7/51)				98				✓	
	7/51	94	98			88				✓	
KEROX	8/51	98	94		80	94					
	9/51				99	90					
	10/51								✓		
	11/51										
	12/51										

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APRIL, 1947  
DUPLICATE PROPERTY RECORD

(This record is to be kept up-to-date and should be maintained  
in the field personnel file of the special agent.)

0  
NAME SKOUSEN, LEROY B.

✓ Badge # 2425, with case

✓ Commission Card with case, # 5599

✓ FBI Handbook # 953

✓ Tax Exemption Identification Card # J-7082 *Returned*

✓ Agents Brief Case XX

Zipper Brief Case XX *returned*

G.T.R. Identification Card # \_\_\_\_\_

*OK*  
*5-27-53*  
*Sib*

FIREARMS:

✓ Official Police Revolver # 647196

✓ Official Police Hip Holster XX

✓ Grip Adapter XX

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LERDY B. SKOUSEN

ATTORNEY AT LAW

~~4520-3-54TH AVENUE~~

PORTLAND 13, OREGON

EAST 4953

1210 Failing Building

*6-21-54*  
*LB*  
July 29th, 1954.

Mr. John Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

Attention: Chief Clerk's office

Dear Sir:

At the time that I received my statement as to my income from the F.B.I. for the year 1953 there was only one withholding slip copy besides the original. I enclosed the one copy with my Federal Income Tax Return and, therefore did not have one to include with my State Income Tax Return. The State has now advised me that they consider my Income Tax Return incomplete without the withholding slip Form 99-W.

I would appreciate it if you would forward to me a copy of the Withholding slip of my 1953 Income Tax so that it may be furnished to the Oregon State Tax Commission.

Respectfully, *O*

*Leroy B. Skousen*

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*152*  
Gross - \$ - 8,003.16 ✓

Federal Tax - 788.40 ✓

Oregon State Income Tax - 6,533.91 ✓

Oregon State Tax - 65.40 ✓

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

FORM APPROVED  
BUDGET BUREAU NO. 50-R064

RECEIVED FEB 21 1954  
Checked by: [Signature]  
Filed by: [Signature]

NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (MR. - MISS - MRS. - FIRST - MIDDLE INITIAL - LAST) <b>MR. LEROY B. SKOUSEN</b>		2. DATE OF BIRTH <b>9-27-17</b>	3. JOURNAL OR ACTION NO. <b>F. B. I. 17197</b>	4. DATE <b>3-17-54</b>
<i>This is to notify you of the following action affecting your employment:</i>				
5. NATURE OF ACTION (USE STANDARD TERMINOLOGY) <b>RESIGNATION</b>		6. EFFECTIVE DATE <b>3:30 P.M. 3-17-54</b>	7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY	
FROM		TO		
Special Agent  GS 12 \$7840 per annum		8. POSITION TITLE		
		9. SERVICE, SERIES, SALARY, GRADE		
		10. ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGNATIONS		
		11. HEADQUARTERS		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FIELD <input type="checkbox"/> DEPARTMENTAL		12. FIELD OR DEPT'L	<input type="checkbox"/> FIELD <input type="checkbox"/> DEPARTMENTAL	
13. VETERAN'S PREFERENCE		14. POSITION CLASSIFICATION ACTION		
NONE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WW1 <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> 5-PT. <input type="checkbox"/> 10-POINT <input type="checkbox"/> DISAB. <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>		NEW <input type="checkbox"/> VICE <input type="checkbox"/> I. A. <input type="checkbox"/> REAL. <input type="checkbox"/>		
15. SEX <b>M</b>	16. RACE	17. APPROPRIATION S. & E., F B I 18. FROM: <b>same</b> 18. TO:		18. SUBJECT TO C. S. RETIREMENT ACT (YES-NO) <b>yes</b>
		19. DATE OF APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVITS (ACCESSIONS ONLY)		20. LEGAL RESIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMED <input type="checkbox"/> PROVED STATE:
APPROVED <b>[Signature]</b> DIRECTOR, F. B. I.		<b>41 [Signature]</b>		
REMARKS: Lv. in amt. of 416 hrs. extending thru 3:30 P.M. 5-28-54. Forwarding Address: <b>None XEROX</b> <b>FEB 23 1984</b>  <b>41 APR 23 1954</b>  <b>[Signature]</b> SIGNATURE OR OTHER AUTHENTICATION				

Standard Form No. 2802 (Formerly S. F. 102) Form prescribed by Comptroller General, U. S. November 4, 1949 (Gen. Reg. No. 106, Supp. No. 1)		<b>APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF RETIREMENT DEDUCTIONS</b> <b>CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM</b>			CSR	
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1. NAME <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>(Last)</span> <span>(First)</span> <span>(Middle)</span> </div> MR. <u>Blomson, Leroy Bentley</u> MRS. _____ MISS _____			2. OTHER NAMES UNDER WHICH EMPLOYED <u>None</u>		3. DATE OF BIRTH <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>Month</span> <span>Day</span> <span>Year</span> </div> <u>Sept. 27, 1917</u>	
4. PERIOD OF LAST SERVICE <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>BEGINNING DATE</span> <span>ENDING DATE</span> </div> <u>Mar. 4, 1941</u> <u>Mar. 11, 1944</u>		5. TITLE OF LAST POSITION <u>Special Agent</u>		6. DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY OF LAST EMPLOYMENT <u>Dep. Bureau of Inv.</u> <u>U.S. Department of Justice</u>		
7. BUREAU, BRANCH, OR DIVISION OF LAST EMPLOYMENT <u>Dep. Bureau of Investigation</u>		8. LOCATION OF LAST EMPLOYMENT (City and State) <u>Portland Oregon Division</u>		9. PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS FILED (Indicate by "X") <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> RETIREMENT ANNUITY  <input type="checkbox"/> REFUND         </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE CREDIT  <input type="checkbox"/> VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS         </div> </div>		
10. LIST BELOW ALL OF YOUR OTHER CIVILIAN SERVICE FOR THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:						
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**NOTICE**

- If you have been separated less than 30 days, this application should be forwarded to the office in which you were last employed.
- If you have been separated more than 30 days, forward this application to the Retirement Division, U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C.
- If you have more than 5 years of service you may be entitled to annuity rights which will be forfeited by payment of this refund unless you are later reemployed.

I hereby certify that all statements in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NOTE: SIGN YOUR OWN GIVEN NAME, MIDDLE INITIAL, AND LAST NAME.

Leroy B. Blomson  
(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT—DO NOT PRINT)

1420 SE 64th St.  
(NUMBER AND STREET)

Portland, 10, Oregon  
(CITY AND ZONE NUMBER)

5-29-54  
(DATE)

Oregon  
(STATE)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5/18/61

FROM : SAC, Portland

SUBJECT: LE ROY B. SKOUSEN  
FORMER FBI AGENT

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Evans	✓
Mr. Malone	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Mr. W.C. Sullivan	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Ingram	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

LE ROY B. SKOUSEN, a former FBI Agent who is now practicing law in the city of Portland, has recently acted with exceptionally poor judgment in connection with representing The Freedom Center, Inc.

There is enclosed herewith a clipping entitled, "City Bars Anti-Commie Drive," which appeared in the Oregonian at Portland, Oregon, on May 12, 1961. Mr. SKOUSEN is quoted as having made the following remark: "As a member of the FBI for 10 years, I can tell you that you should be concerned about the Communist menace. The FBI and the police can't do the job all by themselves. They need your help and ours."

It is realized Mr. SKOUSEN is representing this group for monetary reasons and probably has a duty toward the group, but it is also felt he has a duty to the FBI as a former Agent. Mr. SKOUSEN has never contacted the office since I have been here, August 1, 1959. I have learned he does not command the respect of some Agents presently assigned to the office.

Any contacts with SKOUSEN will be handled circumspectly.

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# City Bars Anti-Commie Drive

The Freedom Center, Inc. lost its seven month battle for a permit to solicit \$88,000, in a drama-packed City Council hearing Thursday.

The council voted 5 to 0 to deny the permit to the militant, right-wing group for public solicitation of funds which it said it needed for its fight against a Communist conspiracy.

In a marathon seven-hour hearing before a SRO audience, the controversial group—formerly known as Freedom Crusade International—was opposed by spokesmen for the Greater Portland Council of Churches, the Portland Ministerial Association, B'nai B'rith, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, students from Portland State College, labor unions, the Methodist Ministers Association and various articulate private citizens.

## Session Range Wide

Aligned with the Freedom Crusaders were dozens of vocal partisans, representatives of the Four Square Church, the Multnomah Bible College, the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon and other supporters.

While Mayor Terry D. Schrunk unsuccessfully tried

to restrict the hearing to the basic issue—which was simply a routine permit to solicit funds, the emotion-filled session ranged over the entire spectrum from religion to politics, ethics, morals, intrigue, patriotism and equal rights.

While the live TV cameras ground and reporters fought to keep up with the fast-moving drama Mayor Schrunk repeatedly banged the gavel to restore order. The audience applauded, snickered, hissed, cheered or laughed according to its views.

## Speaker Causes Ruckus

One speaker, Robert Driscoll, self-styled leader of the one-man All Union Caucus was nearly ejected forcibly when he refused to yield the floor. Accused by some of preaching left-wing ideology, Driscoll spoke in favor of the granting the permit. Crowded away from the microphone he hurled an accusation of "political commissar" at Commissioner William A. Bowes.

Later Driscoll filed a letter with the City Auditor requesting a permit to solicit \$100,000 to "fight antilabor fascists, Freedom Crucifiers and Sons of Bitches."

Jeanne Mowry, 2530 NE 38th Ave., told the council if the Freedom Centers got their permit, she also wanted a permit to solicit \$100,000 to fight Fascism.

"You see a lot of Swastikas these days," she said, "but no Hammers and Sickles." She said she was forming a one-woman group of Fascist-fighters.

Both sides repeatedly accused each other of smear campaigns, slander and harassment.

At one point Mayor Schrunk digressed to say that the council members were losing a lot of votes because fans of Huckleberry Hound were missing their favorite TV program.

## Tempers Explode

The hearing exploded in a flare of tempers when Commissioner Stanley W. Earl, who has opposed the permit in two previous council hearings, cross-examined Walter Huss, president of the group, on his background and qualifications for fighting communism.

He demanded that Huss affirm or deny that he had accused the City Council of being "Communist puppets" following a stormy hearing.

"OREGONIAN"

May 12, 1961

Portland, Oregon

MICHAEL J. FREY, Publisher

PORTLAND DIVISION

LE ROY B. SKOUSEN

FORMER FBI AGENT

THE FREEDOM CENTER, INC.

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two months ago. He challenged Huss to identify the headquarters of the Communist party in Oregon.

#### Funds Use Questioned

He said the Freedom Crusaders were not fighting Communists so much as they were fighting the churches, labor unions, the United Nations, segregation, the Supreme Court and even former President Eisenhower. He submitted literature which he said bore the stamp of the Freedom Center and purported to be published by followers of Gerald E. K. Smith.

The original application for a permit was denied by the

council on the grounds that the name Freedom Crusade would be confused by the public with the Crusade for Freedom, because apparently \$50,000 of the funds would be used to build a residence for Huss and his family; and because the organization appeared to be a family "dynasty."

Leroy B. Skousen, ex-FBI agent and attorney for the group, told the council that Huss and his followers had met all the conditions set forth by the Public Solicitations Commission and that a favorable recommendation had been made to the council. He told Earl that the inflammatory literature had been removed from the Freedom Center's lists when it was called to their attention at the first hearing.

"I would not associate myself with these people," he said, "if I had not made a thorough investigation." He said the group was a legitimate organization and was constructively trying to "build a house of education" against the Communist menace.

#### FBI Needs Help

"I categorically deny that these people have attacked the churches or any minority groups. As a member of the

FBI for 10 years, I can tell you that you should be concerned (about the Communist menace). The FBI and the police can't do the job all by themselves — they need your help and ours."

Mayor Schrunk in explaining his vote said he was voting "no" with a great deal of hesitancy. "I believe that most of these people are honest, sincere citizens. But I believe they must prove themselves within their own organization before being allowed to solicit funds from the general public."

"The ultimate decision," he said, "will be made by the public who is watching this hearing on TV and who will read about it in the newspapers. The Communists are not going to take us over unless the public is so confused and divided it cannot resist."

#### Look For Good

"As my Irish mother used to say: 'Anyone can tear down a person or a nation, but it takes a craftsman to build them up.' I appeal to you to look also for the good in people."

Commissioner Ormond R. Bean said: "Certainly any group has a right to its own views and a right to express them, but no minority view, political or religious, should be given the endorsement of our City Council to make a city-wide appeal for funds, especially when it is constantly attacking and accusing our churches and tearing down the constructive work they try to do."

Commissioner Mark A. Grayson said he had come into the hearing with an open mind. "I believe these people are sincere and honest, but if the permit is granted it will open the door for other groups who oppose someone to also solicit funds to attack them. The question is: where do you stop?"



**WALTER HUFF'S** wife, Rosalie, stood by her husband as the spotlight focused on their anti-Red Crusade.



**LEADER** of the extremist foes of Communism, Walter Huff, fought back charges of smear tactics and "amateur" meddling in the climax of a seven-month battle for permit.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Portland *Was.*

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
FORMER SPECIAL AGENT  
DEATH OF

DATE: 3/9/64

1. [Redacted] *see 2/29/64*

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LEROY B. SKOUSEN, former Special Agent of the FBI and brother of former SA CLEON SKOUSEN, died as a result of lung cancer at Portland, Oregon, on or about 2/29/64.

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THE OREGONIAN, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1964

## Death Claims Ex-FBI Man

Leroy Bentley Skousen, a Portland lawyer and former Portland Stake Mission president for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, died at a Portland hospital Friday following a short illness. He lived at 2075 SW Saltb-



man Road, Beaverton. Mr. Skousen was born Sept. 27, 1917 in Raymond, Alberta, Canada. In 1936 he went to Great Britain on a mission for his church. In 1943 he was admitted to the Virginia State Bar and became a special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

FBI assignments were in Quantico, Va.; Pittsburgh, Pa.; Cleveland, Ohio; San Diego and Los Angeles, Calif., and Portland. He became resident agent at Ontario in 1949 for a brief period before being assigned to travel throughout the state schooling policemen. He left the FBI in 1954.

While stationed in Portland he attended Northwestern College of Law and passed the Oregon Bar in 1953. He entered private practice, and he became senior partner of Skousen, Holmes & Andrews, now Skousen & Holmes, in 1961.

### Served His Church

He served in numerous positions for his church, including High Councilman and Stake president.

He was a member of Delta Theta Phi legal fraternity. He also was active in the Liberty Amendment movement and spoke before local clubs on the effects of communism.

Survivors include the widow, Helen; eight sons, Royal, Joel, Mark, Philip, Jonathan, James, Neil and Nevin; two daughters, Bonny and Sara; mother, Mrs. Rita Skousen; two sisters, Mrs. Mildred Jones, San Bernardino, Calif., and Mrs. Rita Miller, Colton, Calif.; and five brothers, Cleon and Ervin, Salt Lake City, Utah; Max, Glendale, Calif.; and Keith and Kenneth of Rialto, Calif.

Funeral will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, West Hills Ward, Beaverton, with interment in Sunset Hills Memorial Gardens. Batman's Chapel of the Dawn is in charge of the arrangements.

The family suggests remembrances may be in the form of contributions to the West Hills Ward Missionary Fund, 9787 SW Lynwood Terrace.

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Bureau, please refer to Portland letter dated 9/26/62, entitled [redacted] Nee [redacted] Former Bureau Employee, Possibly Divulging Confidential Information," and to considerable previous correspondence between the Portland Division and the Bureau relative to [redacted] with specific reference to Bureau airtel dated 1/23/62 and to Portland's reply 1/26/62. [redacted] would appear to be a sincere anti-communist, and the Bureau has furnished him material in the past.

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13 January 1984

Freedom of Information Officer  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington DC 20002

RE: FOIA REQUEST

Dear Sir,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552 et seq.,  
I respectfully request to have access to the personnel file of my father,

LeROY BENTLEY SKOUSEN, NP

former Special Agent with the FBI, who has been deceased as of February, 1964.

This request is made on behalf of myself, and my mother, Mrs. Helen L. Skousen, and the other living children. We are preparing a biography on our father and desire to have access to the records for compiling his life history.

Counsel has advised us that, being living heirs of the deceased LeRoy Skousen, these records should be available to us, and that their disclosure is not exempted by any of the provisions of the FOIA.

If you, nevertheless, are of the opinion that this request may be properly denied pursuant to law, I request that you invoke your discretionary power, in light of our relationship with the deceased, to permit disclosure.

Please respond to this request within ten (10) working days of receipt of this request by your agency as required by the FOIA.

Your prompt and kind attention to this matter would be appreciated.

very truly yours,

[Redacted]  
[Redacted] son of Leroy B. Skousen,  
for and in behalf of Mrs. Helen L. Skousen, wife of L. B. Skousen;  
and the other living children.

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NAME CHECK

March 22, 1972

MR. LEROY BENTLEY SKOUSEN

The following pertains to the former employment in the Federal Bureau of Investigation of captioned individual.

Date of entry on duty: August 4, 1941

EOD title, grade

and salary: Under Clerk (Trainee), Grade CAF 1, \$1260 per annum

Date appointed Special Agent: July 19, 1943, Grade CAF 9, \$3200 per annum

Duties performed as Special Agent following period of training: Investigative duties

Date of separation: March 17, 1954

Reason for leaving: Due to his wife's health

Title, salary and grade at time of separation: \$7840 per annum in Grade GS 12

According to a news item, Mr. Skousen died February 28, 1964.

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Memorandum prepared for the Name Check Section for transmittal to CIA. [redacted] to CIA 3-22-72

Mr. Skousen was not recommended for reinstatement in view of his violating handbook regulations concerning visiting at home during working hours.

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen pan/pac\* (5) 67-208438  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Miller, E.S. \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Dalbey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Cleveland \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ponder \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Bates \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Waikart \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Walters \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Soyars \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI, and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency. This reply is result of check of FBI investigative files. To check arrest records, request must be submitted to FBI Identification Division. Fingerprints are necessary for positive check.

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## SEARCH SLIP

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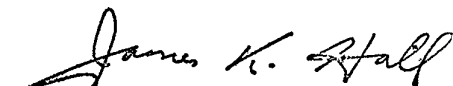
Dear Requester:

This is to acknowledge receipt by FBI Headquarters of your recent Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request and to advise you we will comply with your request according to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552 (a)(6)(A)(i) and other Federal statutes and regulations. Additional information, if needed, will be requested by separate letter.

A search of the indices to our records will be made to determine if we have the information you seek. If the search fails to locate record(s) pertaining to your request, you will be notified. If the search locates a record(s) which may be responsive to your request, it will be retrieved and processed according to the provisions of the FOIPA.

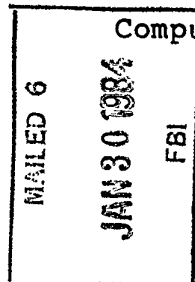
Your request has been assigned the number indicated above. Please use this number in all correspondence with us.

Sincerely yours,



Chief  
Freedom of Information-  
Privacy Acts Section  
Records Management Division

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Request No. 244,970

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Dear [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request pertaining to your deceased father, Leroy Bentley Skousen.

Documents have been located which pertain to your request and they will be assigned for processing in the near future.

As a result of the large number of FOIA requests received by the FBI, delay may be encountered in processing your request. The FBI has allocated substantial resources, including manpower, to insure that delays in responding to assure you that your request will be processed as soon as possible.

Your request has been assigned the number indicated above. Please use this number in all correspondence with us.

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Sincerely yours,

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James K. Hall  
James K. Hall, Chief  
Freedom of Information-  
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ENCLOSURE

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

DATE: 3-11-54

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: LEROY BENTLEY SKOUSEN  
 Special Agent  
 Portland Office  
 NOT ON PROBATION  
 Non-Veteran

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

## PERMANENT BRIEF

Entered on Duty

8-4-41 (Under Clerk)

Reported to Field

7-19-43 (Special Agent)

Present Grade and Salary

11-8-43

Last Salary Change

GS-12, \$7840

Age

8-16-53 (Uniform Promotion)

Marital Status

36

Education

Married (5 children)

Associate in Arts Degree

Attended Law School

Member of Bar

Virginia State Bar

Virginia Federal Bar

Offices of Preference

Los Angeles

1953 Annual Performance Rating

SATISFACTORY

Marksmanship

Qualified

Outstanding Endorsers

None

Previous Offices of Assignment:

11-8-43 assigned

Pittsburgh

3-6-44 transferred

Cleveland

11-26-45 transferred

San Diego

7-14-47 transferred

Los Angeles

headquarters also

San Bernardino

1-14-48 transferred

Portland

11-10-48 designated RA

Baker, Oregon

11-30-48 transferred as RA

Vale, Oregon

1-22-50 headquarters fixed

Portland

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LEROY

FEB 23 1954

He entered on duty in the Files Section as an Under-Clerk in grade CAF-1 \$1260 and advanced to the position of Assistant Clerk in Grade CAF-3 \$1620 and his services were entirely satisfactory.

At the conclusion of his training period Mr. Clegg said he appeared to be overly self-satisfied and his demeanor seemed to be governed by his desire to make an impression, it was believed, however, this was not a true characteristic of him, he asked many questions in class, was interested in the Bureau and desired to make good as an Agent, needed some roughening experience but should develop satisfactorily. On 11-8-43 he was assigned to the Pittsburgh Office.

RECORD IN GRADE CAF-9 \$3200. On 1-6-44 SAC Johnson rated him FAIR and said he made a good personal appearance, was possessed of a pleasing personality and had shown a good attitude, average industry, investigative ability, aggressiveness, self-confidence and force, his dictation was rated above average and he should continue to improve with additional experience and his volume of work was average. In a self-inspection of the Pittsburgh Office in January 1944 SAC Johnson said he was good in appearance and personality, was a fair investigator and a fair report writer, had a fair knowledge of Bureau procedure and equipment, had developed normally as a new Agent, had force and confidence and gave the impression of ability to make good contacts, should develop very well with experience and was rated as GOOD. On 3-4-44 SAC Johnson rated him GOOD and said he presented a very good personal appearance, his attitude was very good and he accepted criticism well, was considered a good dictator and was developing his ability in this regard, however, his preparation could be improved, had demonstrated good organization of material, was a good enunciator, had about average diction, his investigative reports have been somewhat better than average, accepted responsibility well and his work required somewhat less than average supervision. During the inspection of the Pittsburgh Office in February 1944 Inspector Crowl said he presented a good personal appearance, had a good personality, was intelligent, created a favorable impression, was loyal and definitely interested in the Bureau's work and would develop into an above average Agent. Status: GOOD.

On 3-6-44 he was transferred to Cleveland. In the annual efficiency report for 1944, SAC O'Connor rated him GOOD and said he had exhibited a considerable degree of force and aggressiveness, displayed initiative in handling his assignments, and a desire to improve his standing in the Service, had shown that he was capable of representing the Government as a witness at Commissioner's Hearings, appeared to be far above average in firearms ability, was both careful and alert and it was estimated that he would function satisfactorily in a dangerous assignment, he appeared to understand his objective in connection with his investigation, appeared to have the ability to "sell" himself, and from observations his contacts with law enforcement officials and business contacts have been good, and he had shown somewhat better than average development. On 5-9-44 SAC Fletcher rated him GOOD and said he possessed an affable, hearty personality, was intelligent, aggressive and forceful beyond the average, appeared sincere, conscientious and interested in his work, of which he performed an average volume, was considered a very good dictator, his reports and other paper work had been average for one of his experience and his performance had been good and it was believed he would shortly develop into a very good Agent. During In-Service training in August and September 1944 he was interviewed by Mr. Rogers who said he made a good appearance, had an above average type of personality and was intelligent, was extremely enthusiastic and conscientious, was desirous of becoming an excellent Agent, has made a good start and as he gains more maturity and experience he will continue to improve and he may have some latent supervisory ability.

On 9-19-44 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he had a pleasant, open personality, was thoroughly aggressive and forceful, had exhibited initiative and resourcefulness and interest in his work of which he had increased the volume to above average. He accepted criticism and suggestion in the proper spirit and was always ready for after-hour assignments, willingly assumed responsibility and discharged his duties with average supervision. As a dictator he was considered good but should be more careful in his preparation, his reports were well organized and logical and he had reduced the volume of errors to below average and he handled contacts capably and in conjunction with another Agent had developed a very good informant in Communist activities. On 10-20-44, he was considered for reallocation to Grade CAF 10 and it was recommended that he be passed over and reconsidered at a later date.

On 1-27-45, SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said his approach was good, he reflected initiative and forcefulness, was self-confident, very good in dictation and his work was well organized. It was felt he would make a proper witness; his firearms ability was above average and was regarded as available for dangerous assignments under proper supervision. He made contacts, was inclined generally to organize and initiate inquiries on his own responsibility with an average amount of supervision. His volume was above average, his reports were generally good, however, they contained an above average number of grammatical errors and errors to form but they were very good as to substance and reflected proper inquiry and complete, thorough investigations. He had developed a valuable informant and was handling him properly and his rating would be better when his report writing was improved. On 2-16-45 he was reallocated to Grade CAF 10, \$3500 per annum.

RECORD IN GRADE CAF 10, \$3500: On 3-31-45 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he conducted himself in a businesslike manner, had exhibited initiative and resourcefulness in the handling of his assignments and possessed a considerable amount of force and aggressiveness. He was enthusiastic and interested in advancing in the Bureau's service, was a very good dictator and his work was well organized. It was felt that he would be an effective witness, his firearms ability was above average for one of his experience, he was considered available for dangerous assignments under proper supervision and he had operated on several physical surveillances in a very good manner. He had a good approach, made a good impression on persons contacted, organized and initiated investigations on his own initiative and readily accepted responsibility. His volume of work was very good, his reports were generally good, however, they contained slightly more than average number of errors but he was improving in this regard. He had developed a valuable informant and handled this informant in a very good manner.

During an inspection of the Cleveland Office in October, 1945, Inspector Connelley said he made a good impression upon first contact, was alert, sincere and conscientious and was enthusiastic in his work. He appeared to be of average intelligence and average in his mental reactions and he was believed to be better than average in his grade. SAC O'Connor said he presented a very good personal appearance, was tactful and diplomatic and impressed as being very conscientious and industrious in his application. Status: VERY GOOD.

By letter dated 10-17-45 he requested a transfer to the Los Angeles Field Division due to the health of his wife. On 10-26-45 the Director advised him it was not possible to effect a transfer for him to the Los Angeles Office but that instructions had been issued transferring him to the San Diego Office.

On 11-26-45 he reported to the San Diego Field Division. On his transfer report dated 12-3-45 SAC O'Connor rated him VERY GOOD and said he presented a very good personal appearance, was



tactful and diplomatic and impressed one as being very conscientious and industrious in his application. His work on a technical surveillance had been very satisfactory and had demonstrated that he was dependable.

On 2-24-46 he was afforded \$110 increase under the provisions of the Uniform Promotion Act to \$4080 per annum in Grade CAF 10.

On 1-28-46 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he made a very good appearance, had a pleasing personality and seemed vitally interested in the Bureau and in his work. He had been assigned a variety of cases in the general investigative categories and had shown aptitude to conduct thorough and logical inquiries in these matters and in at least one Theft of Government Property case he had shown definite resourcefulness and initiative as well as force and enthusiasm.

On 2-13-46 the Director saw him and said he made a good personal appearance, seemed to be intensely interested in his work, rated him above average as a Special Agent.

He attended In-Service Training in February, 1946, and was interviewed by Mr. Hince who said he was an agent of above average appearance and personality, he made an excellent impression as a Bureau representative, was very much interested in training as a Bureau police instructor, and it was felt he made a capable and above the average Bureau Agent.

On 3-31-46, SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he made a very good appearance, was enthusiastic, energetic, and aggressive, was average as to initiative and resourcefulness, his dictation was rated between very good and excellent, it was believed he might make an excellent witness, he was well qualified to go on raids and dangerous assignments, he operated effectively on physical surveillances, his contacts had been average, he needed to develop more individual responsibility in handling of confidential informants and sources of information, and he analyzed facts carefully. He initiated investigations promptly, accepted responsibility willingly, used good judgment, and it was believed he possessed supervisory ability and had been afforded limited opportunity to perform in such a manner.

During an inspection of the San Diego Division in June, 1946, Inspector Brantley said he presented a neat appearance, conversed in a businesslike manner, and indicated enthusiasm for Bureau work. Due to the basic increase in pay effective 7-1-46 his salary was increased to \$4651.20 per annum in Grade CAF-10.

On 12-11-46, his SAC was advised that he was an approved Bureau speaker.

On 1-8-47, SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he made a very good appearance, was enthusiastic and energetic, was average as to initiative and resourcefulness, he had outstanding firearms ability, was qualified to go on raids and special details, he had done effective physical surveillance work, his reports had been above average, his contacts had been average, he had displayed definite interest and ability to develop sources of information and potential Confidential National Defense Informants, he had a very good attitude toward his work, and it was believed he possessed supervisory ability and had been afforded limited opportunity to do so. On 2-3-47, he was reallocated to Grade CAF-11, \$4902 per annum.

On 3-31-47, SAC Murphy rated him GOOD and said the comments made in the report of 1-8-47 were still applicable to this Agent.

On 7-14-47, he was transferred to the Los Angeles Office with headquarters also at San Bernardino, California.

On his transfer efficiency report SAC Murphy rated him GOOD and said he made a very good appearance, he was mentally alert, was enthusiastic and energetic, was average as to initiative and resourcefulness, he was an excellent witness, had outstanding firearms ability, was qualified for raids and special details, had done effective physical surveillance work, his reports had been average, he had a very good attitude towards his work, he appeared to be in good health although he had taken sick leave on an above average number of occasions during the past year for minor infections of one type or another, and he was believed to possess supervisory ability and had been afforded limited opportunity to do so.

During a self-inspection of the Los Angeles Office in August, 1947, SAC Hood advised he was assigned to the Applicant Squad, his volume of work had been average, he was a thorough investigator, requiring less than average supervision, he had worked after the regular working hours to bring his cases to a logical conclusion, was mentally alert, enthusiastic and energetic, he had been average as to initiative and resourcefulness, his firearms scores were above average, he was qualified to go on raids and special details and he was a qualified Bureau speaker.

By letter dated 12-10-47 he was censured and suspended without pay from 12-11-47 to 12-24-47 and placed on probation for a period of six months for divulging to a Bureau applicant certain confidential information of a derogatory nature which had been secured during the investigation of this applicant. He was also transferred to the Portland Office on 1-14-48 due to his censure.

In a transfer efficiency report SAC Hood rated him FAIR and said he made a good appearance, had a pleasant personality and created a favorable impression, he handled Bureau, Departmental, Central Intelligence Group and Atomic Energy Act Applicant investigations, his volume of work was average, requiring less than average supervision, his work showed that he was a thorough investigator, he was interested in his work, conscientious and had devoted his own time after working hours to bring his cases to a logical conclusion. Since 8-21-47 he had spent most of his time in contacting educational institutions and other sources for prospective employees for the Bureau, in this contact work he had done very well in securing applicants and he exercised initiative and resourcefulness in handling this assignment. He was a qualified Bureau speaker, was rated as an excellent dictator, it was believed he would make a satisfactory witness, his firearms scores had been above average and he was qualified for raids and special details.

On 3-31-48 SAC Bobbitt rated him GOOD and said he was neat in his personal dress and appearance, had a good personality, had applied himself diligently and was industrious, he was intelligent and enthusiastic, he had been rated between good and very good by the stenographers in dictation, the suggestion being made for improvement in his dictation that he be more thorough in his preparation, particularly from a Bureau procedural standpoint. It was believed he would handle himself capably in the witness chair, his firearms ability was above average, he should be able to handle himself upon dangerous assignments, he had operated on a physical surveillance and handled himself entirely satisfactory, his reports required less than the average amount of correction, he submitted his reports in good form, he applied himself diligently to his work, spending a considerable amount of extra time in development of cases, and had accomplished a good volume of work, he had also been alert to development of information pertinent to the general investigative duties, particularly the

crime survey, in the territory in which he was working, he had developed one confidential informant who should be of considerable value to the office, his contacts with law enforcement officers had been very good and a number of commendatory remarks from the police chiefs in the territory in which he was working were made, he was a qualified Bureau speaker and had appeared before a limited number of groups in his territory, carrying out these assignments capably, he had developed a large number of sources of information since being in this territory, and his contacts with business people had been very good, he followed through upon his work with a minimum of supervision with regard to the actual investigations and to the organization of his day-by-day work, he accepted responsibility, was alert to situations which would aid in the development of the Bureau's work in the territory to which he was assigned and followed through on his responsibilities with a minimum of supervision, he had been assigned to work both in the headquarters city and in a road territory out of the resident agency of Eugene, he had handled general and security cases and handled these cases in a discreet manner, showing good judgment in his contacts and the development of information concerning these security cases. The performance of his work had been very good, however, in consideration of the all-over work during the year he had been rated as good.

On 5-20-48 SAC Bobbitt rated him VERY GOOD and said he had continued to perform his work in a very good manner, he was still rated between good and very good with regard to his dictating ability, the suggestion being made that he improve by preparing his dictation more thoroughly, it was believed he would make a capable Government witness, his firearms ability was above average, he was able to handle himself on any type of dangerous assignment, had operated on physical surveillance and performed satisfactorily, his reports had been submitted in good form, he was interested in the development of his work and had accomplished a good volume of work, he had also done a good job in the developing of informants for the office, he had developed a large number of sources of information, his contacts with law enforcement officers had been good, during the period of assignment here he had worked both in the headquarters city and road territory, he had been used upon all types of cases and was capable of handling all types of cases, he had also appeared before various groups and had carried out his assignments capably at this time, he had not been used in a supervisory capacity, although it was believed from the manner in which he followed his cases he could be so used, he maintained himself in good physical condition and his performance had been very good.

By memorandum dated 5-21-48 SAC Bobbitt advised his attitude had been very commendable, he had applied himself diligently to the Bureau's work, had not given any indication whatsoever of any indiscretion and fully realized the error that he committed for which he was reprimanded and in view of the work he had performed since arrival in this division, SAC Bobbitt recommended that he be removed from probation.

By letter dated 6-18-48, he was advised that he was being removed from a probationary status.

On 7-11-48 he received a basic salary increase to \$5232 per annum in Grade CAF-11.

On 8-6-48 he was considered for CAF-12 reallocation or a UPA promotion; however, in view of the administrative action taken against him in December, 1947, he was passed over for

both increases, to be reconsidered at a later date.

On 10-25-48 SAC Fletcher rated him EXCELLENT and said he was an enthusiastic and conscientious worker. He had closely followed the cases assigned to him and, wherever possible, those having deadlines had been met; his reports were well prepared and required a minimum of supervision; he had been rated very good in his dictating ability, with the suggestion being made that in some instances administrative details were left to the stenographers, also his dictation at times was somewhat jerky; he handled firearms in a satisfactory manner; and he had a pleasing personality and friendly manner.

On 11-10-48 he was designated Resident Agent at Baker, Oregon.

On 11-14-48 he was reallocated to Grade CAF-12, \$6235.20 per annum.

On 11-30-48 he was transferred to Vale, Oregon as Resident Agent.

By letter dated 5/16/49 he was censured for his dereliction in connection with the case of [REDACTED] Federal Reserve Act. It appeared that Agent Skousen failed to witness the signed statement which the subject had executed admitting his violation of the Federal Reserve Act. In connection with this censure, he was also ordered back to headquarters city, in view of his shortcomings in the aforementioned case; however, the Bureau granted authority to hold the transfer in abeyance for a period of ninety days in order that the full benefits of his contacts with law enforcement officers and businessmen in that area might be realized by the Portland Division and the Bureau before his removal from that area. It appeared that Agent Skousen had laid the ground work which had resulted in the development of excellent relations in a territory which had previously been neglected.

On 5/27/49 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he established his residence at Vale while handling a very heavy case load, he was conscientious, enthusiastic, and had devoted a great deal of time in handling the work assigned to him in his territory with little regard to official working hours. He had developed excellent relations with law enforcement officials and local citizens, he had increased the number of cases in the area to the extent that it was necessary to provide a road trip Agent in order to bring the work to a current status, and a police school was recently completed at Ontario, in which excellent police relations were developed. Also, an application for the National Academy had been received from the Chief of Police at Nyssa, Oregon, as a result of contact with that department. An increase had been noted in prosecution of cases arising in the Vale residency since Skousen's assignment to Vale and his general contacts in the area were reflected by the numerous requests for his appearance before civic groups and organizations. During the recent self-inspection it had been noted that he had failed to witness the signed statement obtained from the subject in connection with one of his cases. On the basis of his over-all performance, it was felt he was entitled to the rating of very good.

On 8/26/49 SAC Fletcher rated him VERY GOOD and said he had continued in his work of developing the territory and vicinity of Vale and Baker, Oregon. His police relations had been excellent, the present candidate for the National Academy had been developed through his efforts and another application had been received from the Sheriff's Office at Vale, and additional police training was being contemplated for fall in the Vale Residency as the result of Agent Skousen's police work. His reports had been well written, he had handled his own investigations in a logical manner, he was a conscientious employee, who gauged his work by the amount of work to be handled. He had shown a substantial volume of production, he

carried out responsibility with a minimum of supervision, and he maintained his work in a current status. His assignments had consisted of all types of cases arising in a resident agency, he had continued to develop and had conducted a well-rounded program of handling police and public relations in a most commendable manner. He had not indicated more than average administrative or supervisory ability.

In a separate communication dated 8-26-49 SAC Fletcher advised he had carried on his activities in his resident agency in a first class manner, he had developed a high interest in the FBI National Academy, and he had brought to the attention of the prosecuting attorneys, the general public, and the police agencies just what the Bureau's jurisdiction is and the interest of the Bureau in being informed of all matters under its jurisdiction. The latter had resulted in a steady case load being developed and prosecutive cases being prosecuted. It was recommended that he be retained as Resident Agent in Vale in view of his excellent results in public relations and the handling of his investigative assignments which resulted in successful prosecutions. However, the Director instructed that a special report be made on Agent Skousen the next time an inspector should be in Portland and at that time it could be determined whether to remove him from the resident agency or transfer him out of the district.

As a result of a basic salary increase effective 10-30-49 his salary was increased to \$6400 per annum in Grade GS-12.

During the Inspection of the Portland Office in November, 1949, SAC Fletcher said he was mature, had handled all types of investigations and was now Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon. His reports were well written, requiring less than average supervision. His relationships with police and the public was worthy of favorable comment. He was an experienced Agent and his work required very little supervision. He appeared to be physically fit and was available for special or general assignment. He was an Agent with an added "push and go" that had shown substantial results in his handling of a resident agency assignment. Status: Excellent. Inspector Naughten said he was an above average agent who apparently had earned an excellent rating, he had worked hard and produced results of value in his Resident Agency area. He had apparently profited from the criticism previously directed at him. Inspector Naughten felt that the Bureau's instructions of 5-16-49 transferring him from Vale to Portland was sufficiently strong as administrative action, and that a transfer from the Division was not warranted. Therefore, it was recommended that the previous transfer instructions stand.

On 1-22-50 he was transferred from Vale to Portland, Oregon.

On 3-31-50 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he was aggressive and self-assured, he was rated as an excellent dictator, appeared to be mentally and physically constituted so as to operate successfully on dangerous assignments. He had successfully participated in physical surveillances. He was well qualified to handle firearms. He had operated on fugitive apprehensions during the rating period. His reports generally were well done, requiring less than

average supervision. (In May, 1949, he was censured for his failure to witness a signed statement which he had taken from the subject in the case entitled [REDACTED] Federal Reserve Act".) His contacts had been exceptionally good. During the first nine months of this report, he functioned as Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon, during which time a very substantial increase was noted in requests for public appearances of personnel of the Portland Office. He further developed an interest in Schooling among the police officers of that area, and successful schools were held as a result of this activity. He organized and initiated his work in good order, showing a very substantial volume of production. His investigative work required less than average supervision for an agent of his grade and experience. He was able to meet all his deadlines and work according to the need of his assignments. He had handled all types of investigative endeavor in connection with his resident agency activities and in the last 3 months of this report he had handled general criminal and personnel types of investigations out of the headquarters city. He was a qualified Bureau speaker, and most favorable comments had been noted concerning his handling of this type of assignment. He accepted responsibility and discharge it with very little supervision. He appeared physically fit. He testified in court and made a capable witness. He was available for special and general assignment. He had not indicated above-average administrative or executive ability.

On 5-3-50 he was considered for a Uniform Promotion; however, in view of the administrative action taken against him in May, 1949, he was passed over to be reconsidered at a later date.

On 7-9-50 he received a MERITORIOUS INCREASE to \$6600 per annum in Grade GS-12 in view of his extraordinary performance of duty in the Bank Robbery case involving Wayne Leroy Long. It is noted Wayne Leroy Long, while being surveilled in First National Bank of Portland, Oregon on 6-15-50, emerged from this bank carrying sub-machine gun and from cries coming from within the bank it was apparent that he had just stated a hold-up. Long opened up with his sub-machine gun and commenced indiscriminate firing in order to effect his escape. It was noted that Agent Skousen acted in a highly commendable fashion in realizing the importance, under such crucial circumstances, of protecting the lives of innocent bystanders by withholding his fire until the opportunity presented itself of making sure that his firing did not endanger the lives of others but did bring the subject down.

On 7-19-50 SAC Murphy rated him VERY GOOD and said he appeared to have the necessary amount of resourcefulness and aggressiveness, he was rated as excellent in his dictation; he was qualified to operate on dangerous assignments, he had operated successfully on a physical surveillance and he was well qualified in the handling of Bureau firearms. His reports and other paper work were usually in good order, although it was necessary to return one Loyalty of Government Employees report to him for correction of a number of errors of a minor nature which were detected before the report was signed. He had good ability to contact law enforcement officials and others, he appeared to be able to organize and initiate his work and investigations in

a satisfactory manner with a minimum of supervision, and he was available for special and general assignment.

On 8-20-50 he received a Uniform Promotion to \$6800 per annum in Grade GS-12.

His daily average overtime for October, 1950 was 52 minutes, with no travel overtime; for November, 1950 was 1 hour 47 minutes, with no travel overtime; for December, 1950 was 1 hour 19 minutes, with 30 minutes travel overtime.

On 3-31-51 SAC Murphy rated him SATISFACTORY and said he was rated very good to excellent in dictation, the only comment being that he should dictate more evenly. He appeared to have good ability to handle any investigative matter, including the more complicated types of cases. During the period of this report he had handled general criminal investigative work, applicant cases, and some security matter cases. He had no physical condition which would prevent him from performing duties involving arduous physical exertion and participation in raids and dangerous assignments involving the use of firearms or defensive tactics. His volume of production was unusually high, and he was willing to accept responsibility and to discharge it with a minimum of supervision. He had excellent ability in the use of firearms and it was felt that he had shown a considerable amount of administrative ability in view of the dispatch with which he handled a large volume of cases. He was one of the better qualified Agents in his grade and was rated in the upper limits of satisfactory.

During an inspection of the Portland Office in May, 1951, Inspector Long said he was extremely interested in receiving speaking assignments and he appeared to be enthusiastic and interested in the Bureau's work.

On 7-8-51 he received a Basic Increase to \$7440 per annum in Grade GS-12. By letter dated 8-4-51 he was afforded the Ten-Year Service Award Key.

He attended In-Service Training from 8-6- through 8-18-51.

On 9-15-51 SAC Murphy rated him SATISFACTORY and said he had adequate qualities of initiative, resourcefulness, force, and aggressiveness. He appeared to have good ability to handle the more complicated types of investigative cases. It had been necessary to follow him some as some of his work was in a delinquent status.

During a recheck inspection of the Portland Office in September, 1951 *br* Inspector Long said he received a case write-up in the [REDACTED] Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution case, inasmuch as he submitted an investigative report but failed to designate a copy for the U. S. Attorney at Portland which he should have done. No further action was taken.

On 1-27-52 he was involved in an accident while driving his personally owned car which resulted in the death of Mrs. Bertha Mand, who ran in front of his car. There had been no evidence of negligence on his part in connection with that matter.



Memorandum dated 2-6-52 reflected that he might be utilized as a Bureau speaker.

On 2-17-52 he received a Uniform Promotion to \$7640 per annum in Grade GS-12.

On 3-31-52 SAC Poster rated him SATISFACTORY and said he was rated excellent in his dictation ability by the stenographers with one exception where he was rated very good, the criticism being made that his dictation was somewhat jerky. He was a mature, experienced Agent, and he was qualified to handle the more complicated type of investigations coming within the Bureau's jurisdiction. His paper work required normal supervision. He accepted criticism in an excellent manner, had an excellent knowledge of the Bureau's manual and procedures, and accepted and discharge responsibility with a minimum of supervision. His SAC considered him qualified for use on raids and dangerous assignments. He was qualified as a Bureau speaker, had been used as such in several instances during the period covered by this report, and very favorable comments had been made concerning his ability in that line. He had had no opportunity to display other than average supervisory ability.

His daily average overtime for March, 1952 was 30 minutes, with no travel overtime. The reason for his low overtime during March was because of the pregnant condition of his wife and some difficulties had by her in connection therewith. His daily average overtime for August, 1952 was 1 hour 36 minutes, with no travel overtime.

On 3-31-53 SAC Burton rated him SATISFACTORY and said he was mature and possessed sufficient force and aggressiveness to adequately discharge his responsibilities as an agent. He appeared to be physically fit. He had been assigned to security work for the greater part of the reporting period, but had recently been assigned to general investigative, applicant-type, and fugitive matters. His work had been satisfactory and required no more than average supervision. His reports and memoranda were well-prepared and reflected he had the ability to properly initiate his investigations. His production was average, and he was qualified to handle all types of Bureau investigations. He readily accepted suggestions. He was qualified to handle Bureau firearms and to participate in raids and dangerous assignments. He had devoted an average amount of time to the development of potential criminal informants. He had been rated as very good in dictation. He had received a number of speech assignments, and many favorable comments were received concerning his work as a Bureau speaker. He was available for general and special assignment.

His daily average overtime for April, 1953 was 1 hour 41 minutes, with no travel overtime.

By memorandum dated 7-16-53 he was considered for GS-13 reallocation but was passed over to be reconsidered at a later date in view of the administrative action taken against him on 12-10-47 and 5-16-49.

He attended In-Service Training from 7-27-53 to 8-7-53.



*On 8-16-53 he received a uniform promotion to \$7840 per annum in Grade GS-12.*

*By memorandum dated 11-30-53 he was again considered for GS-13 reallocation but was passed over to be reconsidered at a later date in view of the fact he did not meet the qualification of having 3 out of 4 excellent or above average annual ratings for the last four years.*

*By teletype dated 2-26-54 the Bureau approved his use as a lecturer on State Law in the capacity of a police instructor.*

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/21/41</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>6/21/41; 7/14, 18/41</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>JOHN J. HORGAN</b> <span style="float: right;">CM</span>
TITLE <b>LEROI BENTLEY SKOUSEN</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>APPLICANT - MESSENGER</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Applicant's scholastic record at Lincoln Sturges Jr. High School, 1932-1933, San Bernardino High School, 1933-1936, San Bernardino Valley Jr. College, 1939-1941, above average. School records reflect Applicant's birth date Sept. 27, 1917, birthplace, Alberta, Canada, and indicate extra-curricular activities as debating, cardinal forensics and sports. Applicant was president of Student Body at Jr. College, and won first place in extemporaneous speaking contest at Oregon and second place at Bakersfield, Calif., at invitational speaking tournament. School officials recommend Applicant and family highly. Applicant won Kiwanis Scholarship, 1941, for all-around student ability. No credit or criminal record ascertained. Applicant classified by LDB 151, San Bernardino, Calif., as being classification 1-A, #2157, no immediate possibility of being called. No criminal or credit record.

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**REFERENCE:**

Telegram from Bureau to Los Angeles, dated 7/15/41.

**DETAILS:**

AT SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA

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### EDUCATION

The Registrar at San Bernardino High School was contacted and checked the records of his institution at which time it was noted that the Applicant enrolled therein from September, 1933, to June, 1936. The Applicant pursued a college preparatory course, and had an above average intelligence quotient. The school records indicated that Applicant was born at Alberta, Canada, on September 27, 1917; that he participated in various extra-curricular activities such as debating, cardinal forensics, basket ball, and he was a member of the Cardinal Civics Club, which club promotes fellowship and cooperation in the boy's division at the High School. The various grades made by the Subject while enrolled at San Bernardino High School were viewed, and it was noted that his grades were above average.

b7D [redacted] spoke very highly of Applicant, stating that he was a fine boy, honest, willing, and a tireless worker.

b7D [redacted] San Bernardino Valley Junior College, was contacted relative to Applicant's record while enrolled at the Junior College for the period of September, 1939, to June 20, 1941. [redacted] remarked that Applicant made an above average grade on the Iowa, Thurston, and Nelson Denny Intelligence test. Applicant listed on his school records the fact that he intended to pursue a Government major course, and accordingly took the necessary subjects along these lines. Applicant's father's birth place was noted to be Springerville, Arizona, and his mother's, St. George, Utah. [redacted] indicated that the Applicant in his last year at the Junior College was president of the Student Body. It may also be noted that Applicant in his last year at the Junior College won a Kiwanis Scholarship, which scholarship amounted to \$100.00 and is given in the nature of a loan to a deserving student who has shown by his all-around student ability that he is deserving of student assistance. Applicant had no derogatory information recorded against him at the Junior College, and it was pointed out by [redacted] that he was a very outstanding student, that in 1939, she believed, Applicant won first place in an extemporaneous speaking contest held at Oregon, and that last year he won second place at an invitational speaking tournament at Bakersfield, California.

b7D Inasmuch as [redacted] was listed [redacted] by Applicant, the results of his interview will be set out later in this report.

The Registrar of the Lincoln Sturges Junior High School, San Bernardino, was likewise contacted, at which time it was determined that Applicant attended that school from 1932 to 1933, and that he made a creditable showing in his school work. The school records here reflected

no derogatory information concerning Applicant.

REFERENCES

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent FRANK KEENEY, Los Angeles, California.

California, [REDACTED] San Bernardino,

b7D [REDACTED] advised that he has known Applicant for about ten years; that he is the former scout master of a boy scout troupe in which applicant was a member; that Applicant was an outstanding member, rising to the position of Eagle Scout, later being made scout master to succeed him. [REDACTED] advised that Applicant graduated from San Bernardino Junior College where he was an excellent student, being primarily interested in debating; that he toured the country as a member of the debating team; that he was also interested in the work of the Church of the Latter Day Saints, spending about two years in England doing missionary work.

b7D [REDACTED] described applicant as honest, industrious, reliable, of good habits, and neat appearance; further that Applicant is one of about eight children, the family being well regarded in San Bernardino; that they are all loyal American citizens, and he knows nothing derogatory concerning any of them and recommends applicant without reservation.

b7D [REDACTED] San Bernardino, California, [REDACTED] He advised that he has known Applicant for about four years and Applicant's family for about eight years; that between high school and college, Applicant traveled for a period of about two years doing missionary work in Britain; that while Applicant was at college he was an outstanding student, serving two terms as president of his Student Body; that he was interested in debating and enjoyed considerable success in that endeavor.

b7D [REDACTED] stated that Applicant meets people very easily and makes a favorable impression upon them; that he is of good habits, industrious and intelligent; that Applicant advised him that he intended to make the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation his vocation. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] further advised that the SKOUSEN family was well regarded in San Bernardino, and he had never observed any indication of any subversive tendencies on the part of any of them. He knows nothing of a derogatory nature concerning Applicant or any member of the family, and his only criticism of Applicant was that he had a tendency to undertake too much work. [REDACTED] recommends Applicant for the position and states that he would be a credit to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

b7D [REDACTED] San Bernardino, California, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that he has known

Applicant for about fifteen years; that Applicant grew up with children of his own attending high school and junior college with them; that he has very high regard for the Applicant, stating that he is intelligent, industrious, a good conversationalist, and possessed of no apparent bad habits; that he meets people very easily and makes a good impression upon them.

b7D [redacted] stated that Applicant had a very fine record while at school; that he is a member of a large and respected family, all of whom are regarded as being good citizens. [redacted] further stated that Applicant was in England doing missionary work for a period of over two years on behalf of the Church of the Latter Day Saints; that he knows nothing derogatory concerning the Applicant or any member of his family; that Applicant has an older brother who is a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] recommends Applicant without reservation.

b7D [redacted] San Bernardino, California, is employed as a machinist on the Santa Fe Railroad. He advised he has known Applicant for many years; that Applicant was formerly a member of his Sunday School class; that upon finishing high school the Applicant spent two and one-half years in the British Isle in missionary work on behalf of the Church of the Latter Day Saints. [redacted] described Applicant as being honest, reliable, of clean habits; that he makes good appearance and meets people easily; that while at the school he was a member of the debating team and enjoyed considerable success in tournaments.

b7D [redacted] has never observed any faults in Applicant. He stated that Applicant is aggressive and undertakes work beyond his years. [redacted] stated that he is acquainted with the SKOUSEN family. He states that they enjoy a good reputation in the community and are regarded as good American citizens. [redacted] recommends Applicant for the position.

b7D [redacted] San Bernardino, [redacted] He advised that he occupies a house next to and owned by the SKOUSENS; that he has lived there for about seven years and has known Applicant and his family for that period of time. He described Applicant as being intelligent, industrious, of good morals and personality; that he presents a good appearance and meets people easily; that to his knowledge applicant has never been in any trouble. [redacted] stated that Applicant is a member of a large family who bear an excellent reputation in San Bernardino; that he has never observed any indication of un-Americanism on the part of Applicant or any member of his family; that he knows nothing of a derogatory nature concerning them and recommends Applicant without reservation for the position of Messenger.

NEIGHBORHOOD

The following neighbors of Applicant were interviewed:

b7D [REDACTED] were contacted at which time their opinions were that Applicant and the SKOUSEN family were regarded very highly in the neighborhood, and that they could think of no possible information which would in any way reflect in a derogatory manner.

The above individuals furnished information already set out in this report, and remarked that this family has been at all times to their knowledge loyal to the United States. Applicant was said to have conducted himself in a gentlemanly manner, possessed of good habits, and a conscientious student.

The SKOUSEN family was said to consist of six boys and two girls, their names in the order of their age being:

CLEON (Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation)  
IRVIN  
LEROY  
MAX  
KEITH  
KENNETH  
RITA (Now married)  
MILDRED, (about 15 years of age)

GENERAL

b7D [REDACTED] one of the chairmen of the Local Draft Board #151, San Bernardino, California, advised that Subject's draft classification was 1-A, order number 2157, and he indicated that Applicant would not be called for some time due to the fact that San Bernardino's quota is relatively small.

Inquiry at the Identification Bureau of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office and the San Bernardino Business Men's Credit Bureau proved negative. Applicant was reported to have some knowledge of flying, in that he took lessons at San Bernardino airports.

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: November 25, 1947

FROM : SPECIAL AGENT LEROY B. SKOUSEN

b7c SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
SA - APPLICANT

This memorandum is being prepared as a result of information given to the above applicant.

b7c The writer became acquainted with [REDACTED] in the latter part of 1945. The writer later became better acquainted with the applicant when he gave several Bureau speeches at some of the San Diego High Schools. During this time the writer found that the applicant was an individual of exceptionally high character. During his few years [REDACTED] he had become quite influential [REDACTED] for the San Diego area. Because of his outstanding qualities the writer recommended to him that he place his application with the Bureau for the position of Special Agent. He did so in April, 1947. Several weeks later he advised the writer that his friends had told him that the Agents had been around checking his background. He stated that he was particularly desirous of obtaining his appointment [REDACTED]. Because of this fact he asked me how he was making out. I told him that I hadn't heard anything bad about him, but that I was not handling his case and he would have to talk to SAC WILLIAM MURPHY. He did call SAC MURPHY several times and was advised each time that no information had been received from the Bureau.

b7c After several months had passed, word was received from the Bureau that the applicant had written a post card to an individual receiving the DAILY WORKER, in which he had "wished him health and luck in his search for truth." For this reason, [REDACTED] was not being considered for the position of Special Agent. In the meantime [REDACTED] called the office on several occasions to ask if any word had been heard from the Bureau. He also asked the writer and the writer advised him that any information he received would have to come directly from the Bureau. No information was given him, either by the writer or the office, as to the fact that he was not going to receive his appointment. At this time [REDACTED] explained that he should have [REDACTED] some time ago, but he didn't want to sign it if he was going to receive his appointment. He finally wrote to the Bureau and was advised that his application had been received and, although it could not be considered at the present time, it was being held for future reference. He showed me the letter and asked what he should do. I told him that it looked as if his appointment had been postponed and that he should go ahead with his other employment. [REDACTED] seemed greatly concerned [REDACTED]

MEMO SAC

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RE: [REDACTED]  
SA - APPLICANT

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[REDACTED] at that time. He did not want to sign it and then have to break it. He felt that it would be against his principles to sign the contract and then break it to take a better job at more lucrative pay. Because of this [REDACTED] withhold signing his contract [REDACTED] As the fall term approached [REDACTED] stated that he couldn't understand why the Bureau didn't advise him one way or the other. He stated that he knew people who put in their applications after he did who were being given appointments from both the Los Angeles and San Diego areas.

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In the middle of September, 1947, [REDACTED] came to the writer and advised that he had been given an ultimatum to sign his contract [REDACTED] He stated that he was considering discontinuing his employment [REDACTED] and taking some temporary employment until his appointment came through. He advised that he had been told in the San Diego office that no word had been received from the Bureau other than that which he had already received and, therefore, he was considering writing another letter to the Bureau. The writer saw that [REDACTED] was becoming more deeply involved in a rather embarrassing situation and since he was so enthused in obtaining the position of Special Agent in that he was actually willing to sacrifice his job, the writer decided to attempt to correct him in his mistaken intentions.

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At that time the writer explained to [REDACTED] that, due to the troubled conditions of the world and the tremendous responsibilities placed upon the FBI for the security of the American people, the FBI had to take extreme and cautious security measures. There was no other way of accomplishing the protective program of the United States. Thus, in considering persons for employment with the FBI, the Bureau must of necessity eliminate all persons who had any contact of any kind with individuals of a subversive trend. I advised him that we had ascertained that he had once written a post card to such an individual some years ago and that, therefore, his application could not be considered now but might be considered at some future time. He was advised that this was no reflection upon him but was a security measure for the benefit of himself and the rest of America. I told him further that he should, therefore, continue [REDACTED] and not depend upon the appointment in the immediate future. [REDACTED] was advised that this postponement did not infer any subversive activity on his part. At that time [REDACTED] seemed greatly relieved. He stated that he respected the judgment of the Bureau in such matters and was glad that they were so cautious. He did state, however, that he was very sorry that his appointment had been delayed indefinitely; but he was glad that the



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RE: [REDACTED]  
SA - APPLICANT

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mental strain of waiting had been removed. [REDACTED] advised that he would gladly go [REDACTED] and would still desire the position of Special Agent if it were ever offered him. During this time the writer never conversed upon this matter with the applicant's wife.

The writer takes full responsibility concerning the above unfortunate incident. At the time he felt that he was using the best method to remove the Bureau from an embarrassing position and from making an enemy of a very cooperative friend. Now, however, the writer realizes he was very indiscreet and used very poor judgment in handling this matter. He realizes that a situation of dispensing Bureau information to outside sources can not be tolerated. The writer will see that no such indiscretion occurs in the future.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
Special Agent - Los Angeles

DATE: 12/8/47

Re: DIVULGING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
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Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

b7c As you will recall, in my memorandum to you dated 11/14/47, reference was made to a communication received at the Bureau from the wife of [REDACTED] Special Agent applicant of San Diego, California. In her communication, she disclosed that certain derogatory information procured during the investigation of her husband was imparted to her husband by an employee of the Bureau whom she did not identify. She also requested to be advised of the exact status of her husband's application.

SAC Hood of the Los Angeles Office has advised that it has been conclusively established that Agent Leroy B. Skousen was solely responsible for divulging the derogatory information to the applicant. The SAC has obtained a detailed statement from the Agent who has assumed the entire responsibility in this matter.

BACKGROUND:

b7c As you will further recall, in [REDACTED] communication, she advised that her husband was completely investigated by the Bureau and after receiving no satisfaction from the Bureau as to the exact status of her husband's application, "one of our good friends employed by the Bureau did a little investigating of his own" and learned of the derogatory information in the possession of the Bureau. She felt that it was strange that her husband should have been linked with a Communist, as reflected in the derogatory information procured by the Bureau, since he has never entertained a Communist thought in his life. She then remarked that the friend of theirs in the Bureau felt that a mistake had been made in this case and wrote to the Bureau to so advise them but received a reply that there was absolutely no hope of favorable consideration being given to the applicant at that time. [REDACTED] communication was acknowledged at which time she was informed that no encouragement could be offered relative to appointive action in her husband's case at this time.

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The investigation of the applicant disclosed that the Bureau files reflected in the case entitled, [REDACTED]

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b7c [REDACTED]

COMMENTS OF AGENT SKOUSEN:

Agent Skousen, who was assigned to the San Diego Office until 7/14/47, advised in a detailed statement that he became acquainted with the applicant in 1945 and promptly observed that the applicant was a man of considerable influence [REDACTED] in the San Diego area and because of this and his outstanding qualities, the Agent suggested to him that he file an application for a position with the Bureau. This was done and shortly thereafter, the applicant disclosed to the Agent that he would be required to [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED] he was anxious to determine the exact status of his application with the Bureau. He informed the Agent that he would not sign the contract if he were assured of an appointment to the Bureau as he was extremely anxious to become affiliated with the FBI. After being unable to obtain a definite opinion from the Bureau, the applicant confronted the Agent on several occasions concerning the status of his application and finally, during mid-September of the present year, [REDACTED] finally advised the Agent that he had been given an ultimatum to sign his contract [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED] Agent Skousen advised that [REDACTED] was becoming more deeply involved in a rather embarrassing situation and in order to correct him in his mistaken intentions, he explained to [REDACTED] that due to the troubled conditions of the world and the tremendous responsibilities placed upon the FBI for the security of the American people, the Bureau was compelled to take extreme and cautious security measures and that there was no other way of accomplishing the protective program of the United States. He advised that he disclosed to the applicant that the Bureau had ascertained that he had once written a postcard to an individual whose loyalty was under question and therefore, the applicant could not be considered at that time but might be considered at some time in the future. He added that [REDACTED] was told to continue [REDACTED] and not to depend upon an appointment to the Bureau in the immediate future but that this postponement did not infer any subversive activity on his part. The Agent advised that at no time did he discuss this matter with the applicant's wife.

12/8/47

The Agent took full responsibility concerning this particular incident and stated that at the time he felt that he was using the best method to remove the Bureau from an embarrassing position and from making an enemy of a very cooperative friend. He added that he now realizes that he was very indiscreet and used very poor judgment in handling this matter and further realized that the situation of dispensing Bureau information to outside sources could not be tolerated. He concluded by stating that he would see to it that such indiscretions do not occur in the future.

COMMENTS OF SAC HOOD:

The SAC at Los Angeles to which office the Agent was transferred on 7/14/47 from San Diego informed the Bureau that the lack of discretion and violation of Bureau instructions on the part of Agent Skousen was inexcusable and recommended that he be reprimanded and receive a reduction in salary of \$200 per annum.

A PERMANENT BRIEF OF THIS AGENT'S FILE IS ATTACHED. A review of it reflects that the agent, a brother of Special Agent Cleon Skousen, also assigned to the Los Angeles Office, entered on duty as a clerk on 8/4/41 and was appointed a Special Agent on 7/19/43. Under date of 4/17/45, he requested a transfer to the Los Angeles Office because of ill health on the part of his wife and on 10/26/45, the Director advised him that it was not possible to transfer him to Los Angeles but that he was being transferred to San Diego and on 11/26/45, he reported to the San Diego Office. As previously stated, he was transferred to the Los Angeles Office on 7/14/47. His progress as an Agent has been highly satisfactory and no disciplinary action has ever been taken against him. It might also be noted that he is married, has three children, is presently assigned to his office of preference and is in Grade CAF-11 at a salary of \$4902 per annum.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Although this Agent has assumed full responsibility for disclosing the aforementioned confidential information to the applicant and has stated that he felt that he was using the best method to remove the Bureau from an embarrassing position and from making an enemy of a very cooperative friend, it is nevertheless felt that his indiscretion and utter lack of good judgment in this instance in breaching one of the fundamental precepts of the Bureau was absolutely inexcusable. It is therefore recommended:

- (1) That he be suspended without pay for a period of two weeks. (It is noted that the effect of this suspension will be practically the same as SAC Hood's recommendation.)



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. GLAVIN

DATE: May 13, 1949

FROM : H. L. EDWARDS

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN

Special Agent  
 \*Portland Division  
 Resident Agent - Vale, Oregon

Mr. Tolson ✓  
 Mr. Clegg ✓  
 Mr. Glavin ✓  
 Mr. Ladd ✓  
 Mr. Nichols ✓  
 Mr. Rosen ✓  
 Mr. Tracy ✓  
 Mr. Egan ✓  
 Mr. Gurnea ✓  
 Mr. Harbo ✓  
 Mr. Mohr ✓  
 Mr. Pennington ✓  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm ✓  
 Mr. Nease ✓  
 Miss Holmes ✓  
 Miss Gandy ✓

During a recent self-inspection of the Portland Division, SAC Fletcher wrote up the case of [REDACTED]

*brc*  
 FEDERAL RESERVE ACT, in which the closing report of Agent Skousen dated 1/20/49 at Portland reflects the taking of a signed statement from the subject admitting the embezzlement of \$500, which signed statement was not witnessed, Also the file contained no interview log.

AGENT'S EXPLANATION:

Agent Skousen advised the SAC that he forgot to witness the signed statement and inadvertently retained the interview log which he subsequently forwarded to the field office.

PERSONNEL DATA:

Agent Skousen has been a Resident Agent since 11/10/48, first at Baker, Oregon and presently at Vale, Oregon. On 12/10/47, he was censured, placed on probation, suspended without pay from 12/11/47 to 12/24/47 and was transferred from Los Angeles to Portland for divulging to a Bureau applicant certain confidential information of a derogatory nature which had been secured during the investigation of the applicant.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that a letter of censure be directed to Agent Skousen for his negligence in failing to witness the subject's signed statement. ~~A letter is attached for use in the event this recommendation should be approved.~~

A PERMANENT BRIEF OF AGENT SKOUSEN'S PERSONNEL FILE IS ALSO

*I recommend ATTACHED*

Attachments *he not be used*

JIC:bjw *as a Resident*

cc - Mr. Clegg *agent 5713*

Portland Office Personnel File

*I concur.*

*H. L. Edwards*  
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*Let Skousen  
 transfer to  
 J.A. Skousen  
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May 16, 1949

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Mr. Leroy B. Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Sir:

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The attention of the Bureau has been directed to your recent mishandling of the case of [REDACTED] Federal Reserve Act, in which it is noted that you failed to witness a signed statement which the subject had executed admitting his violation of the Federal Reserve Act. Such a dereliction is not in keeping with the standards expected of Agents of this Bureau and might have resulted in considerable embarrassment both to yourself and the Bureau in the event the subject had been prosecuted.

3 MAY 1949  
In the future it will be necessary for you to display greater care in such matters in order to avoid similar shortcomings. Should there be a repetition, further administrative action may become necessary.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

cc - SAC, Portland (Confidential)

ADDENDUM: The above is a copy of a letter of censure being directed to Agent Skousen for his dereliction in handling the investigation of the case of [REDACTED] Federal Reserve Act. By separate communication he is also being advised of his transfer from Vale, Oregon, to Portland, thus effecting his removal as a Resident Agent, because of the shortcomings referred to above.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
 FROM : SAC, Portland  
 SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
 SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: May 24, 1949

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

AIR MAIL

Rebulet May 16, 1949 transferring SA SKOUSEN from Vale, Oregon, to Portland, Oregon.

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 Further reference is made to the letter of May 16, 1949 to SA SKOUSEN concerning his mishandling of the case [REDACTED] FEDERAL RESERVE ACT." It is noted that SA SKOUSEN was assigned as Resident Agent at Vale, Oregon, in order to give that particular part of the Portland territory adequate attention and through the representation by a Resident Agent to obtain full coverage of work developing in that territory. SA SKOUSEN established his residence at Vale while handling a very heavy case load. He has worked up this territory to such a degree that on occasion he needs the assistance of a road agent to get his work current. A police school has just been completed in the City of Ontario in which excellent police relations were developed, and the school was handled for five continuous days without the loss of attendance on the part of the seventeen men who originally attended the school. Inquiries have been received concerning the National Academy as a result of contacts with police agencies in this area. Prosecutive cases have been developed, and numerous appearances have been made before civic groups and organizations by Bureau representatives. In handling speeches before these groups SA SKOUSEN has made sufficient impression to have requests made for his return to give second talks on the Bureau and its work.

It is my opinion that SA SKOUSEN has laid the ground work resulting in development of excellent relations by this office in a territory which had previously been neglected. It is therefore recommended and suggested to the Bureau that the transfer of SA SKOUSEN from Vale to Portland be held in abeyance for a period of ninety days in order that the full benefits of his contacts with law enforcement officers and business men in that area may be fully realized by the Portland Division and the Bureau before his removal from that area.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. LADD

DATE: 6/15/50

FROM: A. ROSEN

LEROY SKOUSEN

SUBJECT: WAYNE LEROY LONG  
FIRST NATIONAL BANK, PORTLAND,  
OREGON, JUNE 15, 1950  
BANK ROBBERY

With further reference to the shooting of Agent Leonard Frank in connection with the surveillance on Wayne Leroy Long, the following details were obtained.

Special Agent Leonard Frank is presently at the Portland Sanitarium and is receiving all available medical assistance. Nothing is being spared. I inquired as to his condition and it has been ascertained that he is not critically hit. He has been shot in the arm and has a possible fracture of the right arm. He has also been hit twice in the stomach but the bullets did not penetrate internally so that none of his internal organs have been injured now. The wounds considered serious at this time. The hospital says that he will live.

Further details concerning the facts leading up to the shooting and the circumstances surrounding the shooting are as follows.

Wayne Leroy Long was under surveillance by Agents of the Portland Office pursuant to the following circumstances.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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Upon Long's release from the Oregon State Penitentiary, he was kept under constant surveillance by the Portland Division and proceeded with another inmate,

[REDACTED] released at the same time, and [REDACTED] who picked

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cc-Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Nichols

Memo to Mr. Ladd

them up, to Portland where they separated. Long took a bus into Portland, subsequently visited two or three taverns and thereafter took a bus to the outskirts of Portland where from bushes near the highway he secured two large paper bags, contents unknown. One of these was thought to contain clothes since Long subsequently changed shirt and tie.

At 1:25 p.m., Washington time, ASAC Scott J. Werner communicated with the Bureau and furnished the fragmentary facts heretofore submitted. At that time he also was instructed to immediately make the facts available to the press and a statement was released by him to the papers.

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The details available at this time indicate that after Long had secured two large paper bags, he wandered around on the outskirts of Portland and went to a motel at 6933 Southeast 82nd where he rented a room for \$1.00. Of course the Agents had him under surveillance at the time and in their surveillance they were assisted by Oregon State Police officers. It was found out from the motel operator that Long did not want to be disturbed and he locked himself in his room and said that he would be busy for about twenty minutes. At approximately 8:00 p.m., Pacific Daylight Savings Time, the evening of June 14 which was last night, the subject was picked up by a Ford pick-up truck. It was believed that two men were in the truck. The surveillance on Long had to be discreet and was therefore kept at a safe distance and the number of occupants of the pick-up truck could not definitely be ascertained. The truck, however, was kept under surveillance at a safe distance and the Agents were able to observe that the truck bore a Washington State license number. It has subsequently been ascertained that this truck was registered to one [REDACTED] and an appropriate check is being made to further determine his identity and activities.

The truck, as has been indicated, was kept under surveillance and it leisurely drove around the country dirt roads on the outskirts of Portland. The Agents were in four cars and were assisted in the surveillance by the Oregon State Police. The pick-up truck turned off on one of the country roads and it was decided not to follow it in because to do so would disclose the surveillance. The Oregon State Police stayed with the Agents on an all night vigil covering the area waiting for the pick-up truck to return to the main highway. At about 3:00 a.m. this morning (June 15) the Oregon State Police departed the scene and the Agents continued the surveillance. There were eight Agents and four cars.

At approximately 6:37 a.m. this morning the Ford pick-up truck came to the point where it had turned off the evening before and the subject was in the car alone. He leisurely drove around in the vicinity without any apparent destination for a couple of hours and was kept under constant surveillance. He parked in the Area and then drove around some more, reaching the vicinity of the bank shortly before 10:00 in the morning. The surveilling Agents were moving into the area shortly thereafter.

According to the report obtained so far, the subject was seen walking in the direction of the bank, turned the corner and the Agents keeping him under surveillance were following him. The next activity definitely known to the Agents was the cries of persons in the vicinity who shouted words to the effect that the bank had been robbed and simultaneous with this shouting several shots were fired by Subject Long.


Memo to Mr. Ladd

According to Agent Kelly Deaderick, Special Agent Leonard Frank and Agent Leroy Skousen fired at the subject. Leonard Frank, the Agent who was hit had fired one shot from his gun and Skousen fired three. Subject Long had completely emptied a Reising submachinegun which contained a clip capable of holding twenty shots. It is not known how many shots were fired by Subject Long. The subject was hit once in the upper right arm and apparently blind considerably. According to reports available, subject has had the upper femur shattered and there is a possibility of some of the main muscles being permanently injured. The exact condition of the subject is not known.

ASAC Scott J. Kerner has been instructed to obtain more detailed information as to the exact circumstances immediately preceding the shooting and the actual shooting. It is known, according to Deaderick who was a witness to the shooting that he was moving into the vicinity and had a machine gun in his possession which he did not shoot in view of the fact that the subject had been downed by the time he moved into position. He was able to observe that the subject was hit and was put out of commission.

The Agents who were at the scene are interviewing the subject and are also investigating the robbery in which the subject obtained \$9,716. Additional details, of course, will be obtained when the Agents get back to the office.

The subject, Wayne Leroy Long, according to the Identification Division records, 

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The investigation is continuing and all possible angles are being run out including the possibility of locating  I have impressed upon the Portland Office the necessity of keeping right after all possible leads on this case.

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RECOMMENDATION

A copy of this memorandum is being transmitted to Mr. Glavin and a copy is also being transmitted to Mr. Nichols so that appropriate recommended action can be taken.

June 16, 1950  
URGENT

MR. LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
PORTLAND, OREGON

I WANT YOU TO KNOW OF MY DEEPEST APPRECIATION FOR YOUR  
EXTRAORDINARY PERFORMANCE OF DUTY IN THE BANK ROBBERY  
CASE INVOLVING WAYNE LEROY LONG. THE HEROIC AND ALERT  
MANNER IN WHICH YOU HANDLED YOURSELF IN THIS MOST PRE-  
CARIOUS SITUATION DESERVES THE HIGHEST COMMENDATION AND  
I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT I HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT  
YOU BE AFFORDED A TWO HUNDRED DOLLAR MERITORIOUS INCREASE  
IN SALARY IN GRADE GS TWELVE FROM SIXTYFOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS  
TO SIXTYSIX HUNDRED DOLLARS PER ANNUM.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

cc: Mrs. Wackerman

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RECOMMENDATION FOR SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD  
TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Date June 23, 1950

To: ~~THE~~ Administrative Assistant ~~XXXX~~ Attorney General  
Attention: Committee on Superior Accomplishment Awards

From: Federal Bureau of Investigation  
(Division, Bureau or Office)

Subject: Superior Accomplishment Award  
Section 403, Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945

Mr. Andretta \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Butts \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Forthell \_\_\_\_\_  
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The following recommendation is presented for consideration at your next meeting:

Name: Leroy B. Skousen

Division:

Position title: Special Agent

Grade: GS 12 Salary: \$6400 per annum

Last salary increase: From \$5232 in CAF 11

Date: 11-14-48 Amount: \$1003.20 per annum

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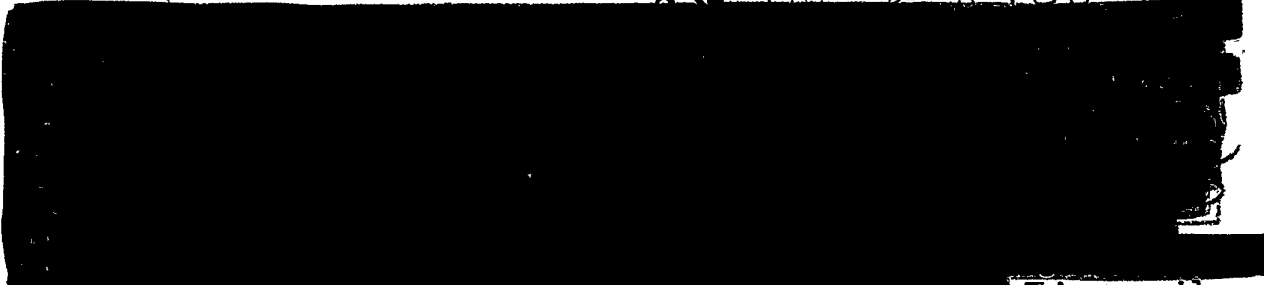
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Description of superior accomplishment. Include following information:

(a) What the standards are for this employee's type of work or what is normally expected in the position; (b) What this employee did; (c) How the work he did exceeded the standards, or how the idea or method or device is expected to improve service, or how the special act or service exceeds the normal requirements of his job.

It is recommended this employee be afforded an advancement from \$6400 per annum to \$6600 per annum in Grade GS 12 in view of his outstanding services recently rendered in the apprehension of a bank robber at the scene of his crime.

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This surveillance was carried on throughout the afternoon of June 14th, through the night of June 14th and into the morning hours of June 15, 1950. At approximately 10:00

Recommended:

S. D. Andretta  
Admin. Assistant to the Attorney General

Date  
7-7-50

Approved:

J. Edgar Hoover  
Head of Division or Bureau  
Attorney General  
Date

SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD

To: Administrative Assistant Attorney General  
Attention: Committee on Superior Accomplishment Awards

A. M. on the morning of June 15, 1950 Long was surveilled into the First National Bank of Portland, Oregon and it was observed he had in his possession a large paper sack. The surveilling Agents took up positions outside of the bank in order to observe his activities as he left. There was no indication whatsoever that he was engaged in any criminal activity at that time. Suddenly Long emerged from the bank (carrying a Reising sub-machine gun and from cries coming from within the bank it was apparent that he had just staged a hold-up.) Special Agent Skousen was in a position approximately 100 yards from the doorway of the bank as (Long opened up with his sub-machine gun and commenced indiscriminate firing in order to effect his escape.) He succeeded in wounding Special Agent Leonard Frank who turned his escape route in the general direction of the position occupied by Special Agent Skousen. Agent Skousen was presented with a difficult situation in that the shooting was occurring on a crowded street during the rush hours of the morning and there were numerous innocent bystanders and passersby in the vicinity. The subject Long was bent on making good his escape and accordingly he was firing his weapon in a haphazard fashion so as to clear the path ahead of him. He had no regard for the lives of others. Agent Skousen realized that injury might result to innocent persons by virtue of a wild shot and therefore withheld his fire until he had a clear opportunity to shoot Long without endangering others. At this juncture the subject was approximately 100 yards from Agent Skousen, who was able to wound Long with a shot in the right arm that traveled up through his neck and immediately felled him. Long was thereafter taken into custody.

(It is considered that Agent Skousen acted in a highly commendable fashion in realizing the importance, under such crucial circumstances, of protecting the lives of innocent bystanders by withholding his fire until the opportunity presented itself of making sure that his firing did not endanger the lives of others but did bring the subject down.) This called for calm and collected thinking under trying circumstances. In addition it is pointed out that he was firing with a .38 caliber service revolver at a man who was returning fire with a .45 caliber sub-machine gun. In spite of this handicap and in spite of the great distance that the shot traveled he was successful in bringing the subject into custody by his exceptional showing of good judgment, cool efficiency and excellent marksmanship. It is considered he fully warrants the promotion recommended.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, PORTLAND

FROM : SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN

SUBJECT: ACCIDENT WITH PERSONAL CAR INVOLVING  
THE DEATH OF MRS. BERTHA MANDY

DATE: January 28, 1952

On Sunday evening, January 27, 1952, the writer left home at 6:30 P.M. to go to church at Gresham, Oregon. The writer proceeded south on 82nd to S. E. Division Street and then east on S. E. Division in the direction of Gresham. As the writer drove along this highway a woman in dark clothing suddenly ran directly in front of the car. She was running south and was about ten feet in front of the car. The car was traveling between thirty and thirty-five miles per hour. The writer swerved his car in attempting to miss the woman, but the right fender struck her, throwing her to the side of the road. The writer was on the wrong side of the road when he stopped. The writer backed up, got out, and after checking the woman's pulse ran into the nearest house for help. They called the police and ambulance at the writer's request and furnished a blanket which the writer covered the woman with to keep her warm. Mrs. EDWARD MANDY, daughter-in-law of the woman, came almost immediately. She told the writer that she was afraid that this would happen as her mother-in-law had almost been hit before by running in front of cars. Officers PAUL HINKLEY and WADE CHATFIELD of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office arrived and took charge. They examined the woman, checked the evidence available, including my car, and advised the writer that he was not negligent and was free to go as soon as he had conferred with the woman's son, Mr. EDWARD MANDY. The ambulance came and removed Mrs. BERTHA MANDY. The writer exchanged information with Mr. EDWARD MANDY and left. Upon checking with Mr. MANDY later the writer was informed that Mrs. BERTHA MANDY passed away at 7:20 P.M.

This road is a highway. There was no intersection at the scene of the accident. The road was dry and the sky clear. The speed limit was thirty-five miles per hour, which the writer was observing. There were no streetlights in this section of the highway. The writer is insured by the Hartford Insurance Company.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 3-10-54

FROM : LEROY B. SKOUSEN

SUBJECT: RETURNING HOME DURING OFFICE HOURS

At 12:50 PM on this date the writer was called by SAC GEORGE BURTON in reference to returning to the writer's home during working hours. Concerning this matter the writer has the following statement to make:

At the present time the writer has been occasionally returning to his residence for lunch. The reason for this has been that the writer's wife has been ill for some time with a bronchial condition which originated in Cleveland, Ohio while the writer was assigned to that area. The writer has been assisting in the preparation of lunch and house cleaning during these lunch hours. On some days the writer's wife feels well and can manage the household by herself. However, for the past few months the writer has employed a Mrs. Powers to come into the home two days out of the week to give it a general cleaning.

On this particular day in question the writer's wife was not feeling well and requested to be allowed to stay in bed. The writer arose at 5:30 AM and fed the baby. The writer then prepared breakfast, fed the children, got them ready for school and departed for work arriving at 8:15 AM.

The writer discussed some matters with the SAC relative to police schools, reviewed some of his cases and left the office at 10 AM. The writer covered the leads that he had planned and returned to his home at 12:15 PM. The writer assisted in the preparation of lunch, ate and was preparing to depart at 12:50 PM when the SAC called. The writer answered the phone and was requested to immediately proceed to the office which he did. When the writer has stopped at his home for lunch he has always parked his car in front of his home and has never made any attempt to conceal the fact that he was home.

The writer has discussed the illness of his wife with the SAC, but has never requested permission to have lunch at home when his wife has been ill. The writer realizes that he should have done this.

In submitting this memorandum there is one condition in the neighborhood that the writer would like to point out. [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED] These people misrepresented the lot lines on the premises to their real estate representatives and to us. The real estate firm finally had to take them into court and the court required them to deed to us the represented property. These people and what friends they have in the neighborhood are now so bitter that they refuse to speak to us or our children. As a family unit we have generally ignored the situation, but under the circumstances the writer feels that it should be pointed out.

The writer realizes that a mistake has been made on his part and will see that no physical contact is made with his home in the future without the permission of the SAC.

Leroy B. Skousen

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 3/11/54

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
 Special Agent  
 Portland Division  
 EOD as Clerk 8/4/41  
 EOD as Agent 7/19/43  
 Grade GS-12, \$7840  
 Non-Veteran - Not on Probation

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

SAC Burton called this afternoon and stated that yesterday at 12:25 p.m. he had received an anonymous telephone call that Special Agent Skousen was spending time at his home during the daytime, which the anonymous caller felt was not quite proper. The anonymous caller identified herself as a neighbor of Skousen's and said she was afraid of him because she did not like him.

Mr. Burton stated that he checked the records and ascertained that Skousen was out in a radio car and tried to call him via radio but was unsuccessful. He immediately tried to call Skousen at his home at 12:25 p.m. but received no response. He called Skousen's home again at 12:53 p.m. and Skousen answered the phone. Burton instructed him to return to the office.

Skousen admitted he had occasionally been returning to his residence for lunch. He knew this was wrong and a violation of Bureau regulations. It should be noted that Part I, Page 2a of the FBI Handbook states: "An Agent, whether assigned to a resident agency or the field office headquarters city, is not to visit his residence during official working hours without specific approval of a supervisory employee. Any such visit and the reasons therefor are to be clearly shown on the #3 card and daily report when prepared."

Skousen advised that his wife had been in extremely poor health, that he had five small children and when his wife was feeling bad and he was unable to get assistance for her, he would drop home during his regular lunch period, have lunch himself and help feed the five small children. It is noted his last child was born [redacted]

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Mr. Burton stated in view of the nature of the allegation and the fact that it had been reported by an anonymous neighbor, he had a neighborhood investigation conducted and it appears that the anonymous caller was [redacted]

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CC - Mr. Glavin

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Two neighbors said they saw Skousen at home at lunch time. One neighbor said he saw Skousen at home when it was not lunch time but it was about the time Skousen's last child was born. Mr. Burton said that Skousen had five days of annual leave at the time the last child was born. [REDACTED] would not admit she had called the office and as a matter of fact she would not discuss the matter at all except to state she had on occasions seen Skousen at home at lunch time.

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Skousen said he had discussed the situation with his wife and he felt under the circumstances the best thing he could do was resign. He has submitted a written resignation in which he states he has been considering resigning from the service due to the poor health of his wife and the necessity of securing other employment in order to take care of his wife and family.

Mr. Burton was advised that Skousen should be permitted to cease active duty at the close of business today and he would be advised by teletype whether the Bureau was accepting Skousen's resignation or whether other action was contemplated against him. Mr. Burton recommended that the Bureau accept Skousen's resignation with active duty ceasing at the close of business today.

There is attached a permanent brief of Skousen's file which reflects he entered on duty as a clerical employee on August 4, 1941 and was appointed a Special Agent on July 19, 1943. He is in Grade GS-12, \$7840 per annum. He is 36 years of age, married and, as indicated, has five children. He has an Associate of Arts Degree and attended law school. He is a member of the Virginia State and Federal Bars. His office of preference is Los Angeles.

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Skousen's resignation be accepted with active duty ceasing at the close of business today and that the attached teletype go forward to SAC Burton advising him of this fact.

Sent 3-11-54

accept resign  
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yes. I agree  
3/11  
OK

*[Signature]*

I agree  
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Called:  
Movement Section *am*  
Property Section *me*  
Voucher Section *am*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, PORTLAND

FROM : ASAC D. E. RONEY

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: March 11, 1954

Pursuant to your instructions, the following investigation was conducted by me in the neighborhood of SA SKOUSEN's residence in Portland on March 10, 1954. In contacting all of the individuals listed below, neighbors of SKOUSEN, I prefaced my inquiry by informing them that we had received an anonymous allegation from an individual purporting to be a neighbor of SKOUSEN who alleged that he was spending a certain amount of time at home on frequent occasions during the day while he was ostensibly supposed to be working. I pointed out that if such allegation were true we considered it a matter of grave concern and that if it were false we would also consider the allegation as a matter of grave concern and would also regard it as being a most unfair accusation. I pointed out that if the charge were false we would be most interested in determining whether any person or persons in the neighborhood might regard SA SKOUSEN with sufficient animosity to prompt such an allegation out of maliciousness.

I endeavored to conduct the first interview with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] When I identified myself to [REDACTED] she definitely appeared to be somewhat nervous and upset and stammered rather hesitatingly that she was not able to talk with me at the moment. She appeared to be grasping for an excuse [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I asked her whether I might speak with her in approximately thirty minutes, and she consented. When I returned about a half hour later, [REDACTED] received me, and when I informed her the purpose of my visit, she stated that with respect to the possibility of SKOUSEN being at his residence during the daytime or during working hours she would not be able to say anything concerning this. She said she did not want to get mixed up in anything like this. She said she would be afraid to make any statements concerning such a matter and stated she was afraid of Mr. SKOUSEN. I inquired as to the basis of her fear, and she stated she was afraid he would use his position to intimidate her. She stated she did not like Mr. SKOUSEN, stated he impressed her as having a bad disposition, and said everyone in the neighborhood would tell me the same thing. [REDACTED]

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It was apparent that [REDACTED] was personally biased and embittered to a substantial extent against SA SKOUSEN. When I endeavored to interrogate her further as to the allegation that SKOUSEN was at home during the daytime, she did state that she observed him come home at noon for lunch a number of times a week and that on such occasions he was driving what she believed to be a black sedan. [REDACTED] declared she was unable to state whether SKOUSEN had ever been at home during working hours at any time other than the noon lunch hour. During the course of the interview [REDACTED] made a number of statements to the effect that she did not care whether SKOUSEN got into trouble or not, whether he lost his job or not, or what might happen to him.

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[REDACTED] advised that she resides [REDACTED] stating she knows Mr. SKOUSEN very casually and stating she has visited at home with Mrs. SKOUSEN on a few brief occasions. When I informed [REDACTED] of the purpose of my inquiry, she immediately replied almost explosively that she knew the whole story behind this allegation. [REDACTED] then told me she had lived at this address for nearly [REDACTED] and that she had known [REDACTED] for nearly [REDACTED]. She stated that it was common knowledge in the neighborhood that there had been a dispute over the property line between SKOUSEN's property and [REDACTED] property, which resulted in a law suit. [REDACTED] stated the entire piece of property comprising [REDACTED] present property, SKOUSEN's property, and the property adjoining SKOUSEN on the other side was at one time owned by [REDACTED] mother. The error in the property line between SKOUSEN's present property and the property presently occupied by the residence of [REDACTED] was, according to [REDACTED] an honest error which occurred in surveying

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the property a number of years ago. The error should have been properly corrected in favor of Mr. SKOUSEN, but [REDACTED] continued it was common knowledge that during the court proceedings over this property line [REDACTED] deliberately lied in court in a barefaced attempt to "steal" some six or seven feet of property from SKOUSEN in order to increase her own property. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] is a mean, introverted woman and, assuming that [REDACTED] had made this allegation against SA SKOUSEN, declared that this was the rankest thing she had ever done and that she had done a lot of crude things to her neighbors. [REDACTED] pointed out that for many years there had been a stone bench on the street corner of [REDACTED] property for the accommodation of bus passengers at the bus stop. However, when [REDACTED] built a new home on that corner approximately two years ago she removed the bench as she did not want people loitering on the corner of her property.

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[REDACTED] stated as far as SKOUSEN is concerned she has the highest regard for him as an individual, as well as for Mrs. SKOUSEN. [REDACTED] declared that the SKOUSENS are very well-regarded in the neighborhood. [REDACTED] stated she recalled on a very few occasions she has seen an automobile in front of SKOUSEN's house during the approximate noon hour and she considered that he was possibly home for lunch on those occasions. [REDACTED] knew that Mrs. SKOUSEN had been ill considerably and that she had recently given birth to her fourth child and stated at that time she believed Mr. SKOUSEN came home to assist her briefly at noon time. [REDACTED] stated it had been her general observation that Mr. SKOUSEN went to work early in the morning and returned home late at night and generally worked long hours, and she could not recall ever having seen him at home during the daytime except on weekends and except on the few occasions she saw him at home during the approximate lunch hour.

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[REDACTED] were interviewed in their home jointly. [REDACTED] are elderly people [REDACTED] advising that he has [REDACTED] Both [REDACTED] stated it had been their general observation that SKOUSEN, whom they knew only very casually, went to work early in the morning and returned late in the evening. [REDACTED] who is at home generally all during the daytime and [REDACTED] stated she could not recall ever having seen Mr. SKOUSEN at home during the daytime except on weekends. Both [REDACTED] stated they considered the SKOUSENS to be very pleasant neighbors

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of excellent character and reputation. [REDACTED] volunteered that with respect to the allegation which had been made against SKOUSEN that if he could venture a guess as to the source of the allegation his unofficial, off-the-record guess would be that the anonymous complainant was [REDACTED] who is known to have been involved in a rather bitterly disputed property line law suit with SKOUSEN. [REDACTED] stated the property which he presently owns [REDACTED]

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SKOUSEN purchased his property from her. [REDACTED] stated at the time he purchased his property he observed that [REDACTED] was a rather strange acting woman in many respects, and [REDACTED] attorney at that time told [REDACTED] that it was his, the attorney's, impression that [REDACTED] was "just not quite all there," meaning that she was possibly slightly mentally unbalanced. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] objected to children since they annoyed her and ventured the opinion that [REDACTED] was behind this allegation. [REDACTED] stated considering her as the source of the allegation he would not put much stock in it.

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[REDACTED] who lives [REDACTED] SKOUSEN and a short distance below him, advised that she is casually acquainted with the SKOUSENS and considers them to be people of excellent character and reputation. When informed of the purpose of the inquiry, [REDACTED] immediately volunteered that it was common knowledge in the neighborhood that [REDACTED] had been most unfair and unjust in a property line dispute with SKOUSEN. [REDACTED] stated she has lived in that neighborhood and has known [REDACTED] for nearly [REDACTED] and stated [REDACTED] is the type of woman who takes great pride in her own home, keeps everything scrupulously clean and neat, plants a great many shrubs and flowers around her own home, and objects strenuously to children or cats and dogs. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] is generally regarded as being a rather unpleasant woman to have for a neighbor and ventured the opinion that [REDACTED] would be the only person in that neighborhood who would ever make any kind of an accusation against Mr. SKOUSEN. [REDACTED] stated also she is at home nearly all the time and can view the [REDACTED] SKOUSEN's property with ease from her home and she could not recall ever having seen SA SKOUSEN at home during the daytime or during working hours.

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[REDACTED] advised that she is acquainted with Mr. and Mrs. SKOUSEN very casually and can view their property with ease from her home. [REDACTED] stated she is home nearly all the time and stated she believed Mr. SKOUSEN came home for lunch occasionally, possibly once or twice a week on the average. She stated she had seen him coming home at lunch time on a very few occasions and recalled he was driving a black or dark-colored automobile which she did not know belonged to him or the government. [REDACTED] when informed of the purpose of this inquiry, immediately stated she knew there was bad feeling between the [REDACTED] and the SKOUSENS over the property line dispute and because of the fact that [REDACTED] was the type of woman who was considerably annoyed and irritated by children and the SKOUSENS have four or five small children. [REDACTED] who appeared to be a rather timid woman, stated she felt it her patriotic duty to tell the FBI everything she knew about anything and stated [REDACTED] was a mean and malicious woman and she would not put it past her to make such a false and unjust charge against Mr. SKOUSEN since she personally disliked him. [REDACTED] stated she, herself, had a very high regard for the SKOUSENS, knowing them to be active in religious work and declaring the reputation of SA SKOUSEN in the neighborhood was excellent.



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTN. INSPECTOR JOHN MORRIS)

DATE: March 12, 1954

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: LEROY B. SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

This will confirm my telephone call to the Bureau on March 11, 1954, and rebutel March 11, 1954, accepting SKOUSEN's resignation effective at the close of business on March 11, 1954.

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At 12:25 p.m. on March 10, 1954, I took a complaint telephone call from a woman who inquired if we had an agent named SKOUSEN. I asked the caller to identify herself. She stated she did not desire to identify herself and advised that the purpose of her call was to report that SKOUSEN was "spending time at home in the daytime." She advised that when he came home in the daytime he had with him a black car which she assumed was a government car. I repeatedly attempted to get the caller to identify herself, stating I desired to interview her inasmuch as it would be considered a serious accusation if the information she was reporting should concern an agent. She advised that she did not desire to identify herself inasmuch as she was "afraid of SKOUSEN" because she disliked him. She then terminated the conversation by hanging up.

At the end of this call, which lasted approximately one and one-half minutes, I checked SA SKOUSEN's No. 3 Card and found he was out in a radio car. I called him by radio and received no answer, and at the same time I called his home by telephone and received no answer. I was not able to reach him by radio and called his home at 12:53 p.m., at which time SKOUSEN, himself, answered the phone, and he was instructed to immediately report to the office.

I am attaching SKOUSEN's memorandum which he prepared as a result of my request. It will be noted that he advised he has occasionally been going home for lunch because of the illness of his wife, at which time he assisted her in feeding the children and doing necessary housework. SKOUSEN stated he was well-aware of the handbook regulation concerning visiting his home during the daytime and stated he had no reason for the violation of this rule other than the health of his wife.

I am also attaching a memorandum dated March 11, 1954, prepared by ASAC D. E. RONEY, regarding the results of a neighborhood investigation he made concerning the anonymous complaint made

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Re: SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN

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It will also be noted that the other neighbors who were interviewed, including the [REDACTED] who live [REDACTED] all speak highly of SKOUSEN and his family. It is also noted that the other neighbors, with the exception of the [REDACTED] stated they had noticed he periodically came home for lunch.

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In addition to the information set out in RONEY's memorandum, he advised me that [REDACTED] who lives [REDACTED] mentioned she had seen SKOUSEN at home a time or two other than at lunch hours on working days around the time his last baby was born. For the Bureau's information, SKOUSEN's youngest child was born October 18, 1953, and the records of this office show he took five days' leave October 19-23.

On the morning of March 11, 1954, SKOUSEN came into the office and advised me that he has been concerned for a long time over the health of his wife and has been seriously considering submitting his resignation so he could get into work which would allow him to spend more time at home in the daytime, and that he desired to submit his resignation. The resignation was tendered, and he was advised that the fact he had tendered his resignation would be reported to the Bureau. He was also advised I had no authority to accept this resignation.

In my telephone call to the Bureau I advised SKOUSEN's work has been satisfactory, that he has recently been made a police instructor, and that the manuscript which he submitted on the laws of arrest for the purpose of qualifying as a police instructor was in my opinion a very fine manuscript.

Re: SA LEROY B. SKOUSEN

On the afternoon of March 11, 1954, I received a teletype from the Bureau advising that the resignation of SKOUSEN was being accepted as of the close of business March 11, 1954. SKOUSEN was advised of this fact.

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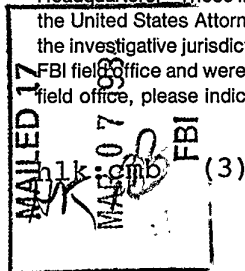
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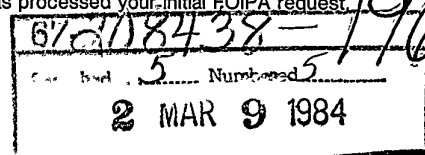
☐ A search of references to the subject of your request in the files of other individuals or organizations, i.e., "see" references, was not undertaken. To verify most "see" references requires information identifying the individual(s) and/or organization(s) with whom the subject of your request associated and the time frame of the association(s). Should you desire a search of "see" references, please advise of the details describing the specific incident or occurrence and time frame. Thereafter, efforts will be made to locate, retrieve and process any such record.

☐ The search for information in response to your request was limited to those records in our central records system which are maintained at FBI Headquarters, Washington, D. C. In certain specific instances, information collected in our field office files is not forwarded to FBI Headquarters. These instances include cases in which the perpetrators of the violation were not developed during the investigation; cases in which the United States Attorney declined prosecution; and cases in which the investigation revealed the allegations were unsubstantiated or not within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. Therefore, if you believe records which may be responsive to your inquiry are located within the files of an FBI field office and were never reported to Headquarters, you may write directly to any field office for those materials. If you direct a request to any field office, please indicate in your letter that FBI Headquarters in Washington, D. C., has processed your initial FOIPA request.



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☐ Your request for information has been considered in light of the provisions of both the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (Title 5, United States Code, Section 552) and the Privacy Act (PA) of 1974 (Title 5, United States Code, Section 552a). It has been determined by the Attorney General that requests by individuals seeking information about themselves are governed by the Privacy Act. In addition, as a matter of administrative discretion, any documents which were found to be exempt from disclosure under the Privacy Act were also processed under the provisions of the FOIA. Through these procedures, you have received the greatest degree of access authorized by both laws.

☒ It is the policy of this Bureau that in responding to FOIPA requests wherein the documents to be released total less than 250 pages, no duplication fee is levied. Therefore, the enclosed documents are being forwarded to you at no charge.

☒ If you desire, you may appeal any denials contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy (Attention: Office of Information and Privacy), United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. 20530, within thirty days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

☒ See additional information on continuation page.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosed are 63 selected pages, together with 4 photographs and negatives, as specified in your telephone conversation.

Exemption (b)(3), used in one instance in a document dated June 15, 1950, applies to information specifically exempted from disclosure by Title 28, United States Code, Section 534.

NOTE: Requester furnished 63 pages from FBIHQ 67-208438.

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